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Monday Evening, April 21, 1919.

Regular Meeting.

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck.

Minutes of regular meeting held April 7th were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

File contract between City and N.Y. Telephone Co.

Contract between the City and the New York Telephone Co., for transfer of telephone from 206 West Second St. to 145 East Second St., duly executed was presented and ordered filed.

Petition Geo. Sabino et als.

Petition from George Sabino and others to have St. Mary's Avenue graded and macadamized, was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Application Auctioneers license

Application of George York for auctioneer's license was presented and referred to the License Committee.

Communication Plainfield Mothers Assn.

Communication from the Plainfield Mothers' Association was received calling attention to the untidy appearance of many of our streets; condition of the toilets at the railroad station, and the need of a public comfort station; and that the City should undertake the collection of garbage and ashes. Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Petition James C. Manning

Petition from James C. Manning and J. G. Manning for sanitary sewer in Myrtle Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Communication J. McCarthy

Communication from Chas. J. McCarthy respecting bill for sewer assessment and interest charged thereon. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Communication R. B. Van Arsdale

Communication from R. B. Van Arsdale respecting bill for sewer assessment and interest charged thereon. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Communication Business Mens Assn. protest against public square; recommending widening Park Ave. & opening of Street from Park Ave. to Front St.

Communication from the Business Men's Association entering their protest against the purchase of land to be used as a public square; but recommending the widening of Park Avenue, and the opening of a street from North Avenue to Front Street between Park and Watchung Avenues, or from Second Street to Front Street between Park and Madison, or the opening of both streets. Referred to the Street Committee.

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Communicatin R. D. Robertson favoring widening Park Avenue.

Communication was received from R. D. Robertson favoring the widening of Park Avenue. Referred to the Street Committee.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER.

Communicatin Mayor vetoing Ordinance for permanent improvement of certain streets

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, dated April 16, 1919, vetoing the ordinance adopted April 7th last, entitled "An Ordinance for the permanent improvement of certain streets and portions of streets of the City of Plainfield with permanent and durable vitrified brick pavement and of certain other streets or portions of streets with permanent and durable cement concrete pavement and to provide the necessary funds in advance of the collection of assessments for benefits", which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

Communicatin Mayor Special Message 19

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, being his special message no. 19, subject "War Memorial", which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

File report City Judge.

Report of the City Judge for quarter ending March 31 was read and ordered filed.

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CITY HALL BUILDING BY COUNCILMAN ACKERMAN:

No report.

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Reported progress.

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FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

Offered the following resolution to advertise for bids for coal:

Resolution Advertise for bids for coal

> RESOLVED, That the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to advertise, in the form prescribed by law, for bids for such quantity and sizes of coal as may be required for use by the City for the coming year.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard, McDonough and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY CHAIRMAN CONDICT:

Reported back the Mayor's veto of the Street Improvement Ordinance and offered the following resolution that the veto be entered at length upon the journal of the Council:

Resolution enter Mayor's veto at length in minutes

RESOLVED that the Mayor's objections to the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the permanent improvement of certain streets and portions of streets of the City of Plainfield with permanent and durable vitrified brick pavement and of certain other streets or portions of streets with permanent and durable cement concrete pavement, and to provide the necessary funds in advance of the collection of assessments for benefits" adopted April 7, 1919, be entered at length upon the journal and that the Common Council do now proceed to reconsider such ordinance.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard, Sminck, McDonough and President Hylan.

The Mayor's veto of the ordinance referred to in the last mentioned resolution is as follows:

To the Honorable the Members of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield:

Mayor's veto of Ordinance for Permanent Improvement of Certain Streets

With regard to the Ordinance for the permanent improvement of certain streets and portions of streets of the City adopted April 7th, 1919, there is a doubt in my mind as to whether some widening of East Third Street ought not to be made before the street is paved; and also whether East Second Street should not have priority. There is also a question whether a permanent pavement on Park Avenue from the City line at least as far as Randolph Road is not more needed this year than on Plainfield Avenue from the City line to Eighth Street. In the above matters, however, there is something to be said on both sides; and as all of these streets must sooner or later be provided with permanent pavement it is properly a matter for you to decide as to the order of the work. But I am of opinion that for several years there will be no pressing need of permanent pavement on Watchung Avenue between Front Street and the Brook; and as I understand that you do not regard the inclusion of this block as necessary to your

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program for the year, I feel that this expense should be saved to the taxpayers, and accordingly I return without my approval the ordinance above referred to.

April 16, 1919. Leighton Calkins

Offered the following resolution for reconsideration of vote by which ordinance was adopted:

Resolution Reconsideration Vote by which Street Improvement Ordinance was adopted.

RESOLVED that the vote by which the ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance for the permanent improvement of certain streets and portions of streets of the City of Plainfield with permanent and durable vitrified brick pavement and of certain other streets or portions of streets with permanent and durable cement concrete pavement, and to provide the necessary funds in advance of the collection of assessments for benefits" was adopted on April 7, 1919, be reconsidered.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard, McDonough, Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to amend the street improvement ordinance by striking out certain portions:

Resolution Amend Street Imp. ordinance

RESOLVED That the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the permanent improvement of certain streets or portions of streets of the City of Plainfield with permanent and durable vitrified brick pavement and of certain other streets or portions of streets with permanent and durable cement concrete pavement, and to provide thenecessary funds in advance of the collection of assessments for benefits" be amended by striking out of Section 1 the words:

"Watchung Avenue, from the present brick pavement at East Front Street to the bridge over Green Brook."

Also by striking out the word "curb" wherever it appears in said Section 1, and inserting instead thereof the word "side".

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard, McDonough, Sminck and President Hylan.

Adjourn

Move when we adjourn we adjourn to meet Tuesday, April 29th, at 8 o'clock p. m. So ordered upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative.

File Specifications etc. construction permanent pavement

Presented "Specifications, Information for bidders, form of proposal, Contract and Bond, for the construction of Brick Pavement and Concrete Pavement in the City of Plainfield, N. J. April 1919", also Plans for same and moved same be filed. So ordered.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HIGHT:

Reported bills correct. Referred to theAuditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Reported verbally as follows respecting the collection and disposal of garbage, ashes, etc:

Report collection and disposal of garbage, ashes etc.

"In the annual report of 1918, made by the Board of Health, they recommended, among other things, that Plainfield should have an adequate and up-to-date system of garbage and ash collection and disposal, etc.

"The Public Affairs Committee had referred to it, at the last meeting of the Council, a communication from the Business Men's Association which communication stated that at a recent meeting a committee of two had been appointed with instructions to solicit the co-operation of the Common Council, for the purpose of developing some system of collecting the garbage, etc.

"In addition, at the last meeting of the Council, the Monday Afternoon Club petitioned the Council to take steps to correct the evils in connection with the dumps, etc.

"Between the report of the Board of Health made in January and the ones just referred to above, the members of the Public Affairs Committee and no doubt many members of the Council, have been asked as to what the City was going to do about the collection of ashes and garbage. It has been a very live issue and one which has been given much thought and consideration by committees of previous Councils.

"The present Public Affairs Committee has very thoroughly perused the many and various reports covering this question, some of them dating back as far as 1903, and begs now to present what might be termed their conclusions in the matter, which report and recommendation, if you will permit me, I will now read."

The chairman then read the said report which is as follows:

To the Common Council,
City of Plainfield, N. J.

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Gentlemen:-

The matter of the collection and disposal of municipal waste has been brought to the attention of the governing body of this city repeatedly during the last sixteen years. Each appearance brings with it the same report of deplorable conditions existing throughout our City, due to unsanitary, go-as-you-please methods which exist under the present system.

In 1903, the Health Department began an investigation of this matter, and in 1904, a joint committee of the Common Council and the Board of Health made an investigation, taking this matter up in great detail.

The members of this committee were, Messrs. William S. Tyler, Chairman; L. R. Thurlow, Secretary; R. I. Tolles; M. L. Gloak; B. VanD. Hedges; Fred W. Dunn; C. H. Dunham and J. F. Buckle.

As a result of the report of this committee, the city acquired the land, buildings and plant formerly owned by the Plainfield Sanitary Company, located on Dunellen Avenue and a Municipal System of Garbage Collection and Disposal seemed for a while an assured fact. The land then purchased, with what remains of a building, is all that is left today, the honest efforts and unselfish labors of the joint committee of 1904 apparently going for naught.

In 1914 this question was <u>again</u> referred to a committee composed of the late Mr. Claybrook, then chairman of the "Council Committee on Public Affairs" and Mr. Barrows of the Board of Health. A most throough report of their investigations, including facts and figures obtained from 55 cities throughout the United States, was published in full in the Annual Report of the City of Plainfield for the year 1914, in connection with the annual report of the Health Officers for that year.

Any description of the conditions existing in our City at the present time, or any new list of facts, figures or estimates, would add nothing whatsoever, in our opinion, to what is stated in the above mentioned reports.

It is estimated that garbage is collected from less than one third of the houses in the City, at an annual cost of about $11,000. and the ashes and refuse, from about one half, at a cost of about $16,000. The average cost to each householder being about $7.50 a year for garbage and about $5.00 per year for ashes.

This seems to be an unnecessarily heavy item to impose upon the householder, who pays it to a licensed collector and not as taxes to the City, when it is believed a much less sum per household would defray the cost of municipal collection and disposal, and provide <u>service for the entire city.</u>

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There might be a further reduction of the cost if some modern method, by which the city waste could be salvaged, were to be employed. Dr. McCoombs, Efficiency Expert of the Bureau of Municipal Research of New York, in his report of the survey of the City in 1915, suggested that a hog farm might be a satisfactory method of garbage disposal, such as exists at North Adams, Mass., a city of about the same size as Plainfield.

Conditions which menace the health of the community and permit our vacant lots and public streets to be adorned with ash heaps, tin cans, bed springs, etc., and exist by reason of the failure of the present system for the collection and disposal of the municipal waste, are matters which threaten the welfare of our City and should be remedied. If this is not done, the civic pride, the health, and perhaps the lives of some of our citizens will be the price our city will have to pay. The fault lies, in our opinion, in the present system, which experience has taught us, it is not humanly possible to regulate and control.

The Committee of 1904 advocated a municipal system of collection and incineration, while the Committee of 1914 suggested an improvement of the existing system.

The report of the latter committee contains the following statement and quotation:

> "The whole question of garbage collection and disposal is summed up by Mr. Selskar M. Gunn, B.S., managing editor of the "American Journal of Public Health" who says: "My own feeling with regard to refuse collection and disposal is that it is unwise for a community to undertake municipal collection and disposal unless it has the advice of competent sanitary engineers on the matter."

In view of the above, Mr. President, this Committee finds no solution of this problem which does not necessitate the adoption of some system of Municipal Collection and Disposal of the waste of our city and recommends that the entire matter be turned over to The Research and Advisory Commission or to the United States Public Health Service, to make a survey of the city and report two or more plans for the collection and disposal of garbage, ashes and rubbish, together with the cost of installation of a plant or plants; estimated annual cost of operation and maintenance; and the probable increase in points of the tax rate, in the event

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of any part of the Commission's report being adopted.

The Committee further recommends that an early report be made by the Research and Advisory Commission, as promptly as can be reasonably expected.

Marion S. Ackerman
Chairman Public Affairs
Committee

Dated, April 21, 1919.

File communications Business Men's Assn. Monday Afternoon Club Plainfield Mothers Assn

Reported back for filing communication from the Business Men's Association and Monday Afternoon Club, and moved that the clerk advise the people what action has been taken. So ordered. (Plainfield Mothers Association)

Refer report to Research & Advisory Commission

Councilman Sminck moved that the foregoing report be referred to the Research and Advisory Commission in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee. So ordered upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative.

Opinion Corporation Counsel Zoning System Pub. Serv. Ry. Co.

Reported that at a previous meeting the application of the Public Service Railway Co. for the adoption of a Zoning System was referred to the Public Affairs Committee, and in turn referred to the Corporation Counsel, and presented the following communication from the Corporation Counsel as to progress in the matter, which letter was read; and ordered filed:

April 21, 1919.

Marion S. Ackerman, Esq.,
Chairman Public Affairs Committee
Plainfield, N. J.

Dear Mr. Ackerman:-

Yours of the 16th at hand. Pursuant to instructions, I entered appearance for Plainfield before the Board of Public Utility Commissioners on March 26th on the hearing of the application of the Public Service Company for zone system, etc. I reserved the right to be heard if we so desire at any time before the proceedings close.

The matter was adjourned until April 7th and since then testimony has been taken for and against the proposition. Several of the larger municipalities have been active in opposing the application and since anything that we could do would be largely cumulative it has seemed that we can do little if anything except to abide by the result which will probably be the same whether we take an active or passive part.

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If the Council has any different view I will be glad to follow any suggestions it may make.

Very truly yours,
Chas. A. Reed

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN MCDONOUGH:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Offered the following resolution to increase salary of Charles Culver and Mrs. H. A. Veach:

Resolution Increase salary Chas. Culver, Mrs. H. A. Veach.

RESOLVED, That the wages of Charles Culver be, and the same hereby is, fixed at Forty Dollars ($40.00) per month as and from April 1, 1919.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the wages of Mrs. H. A. Veach be, and the same hereby is, fixed at Twenty Dollars ($20.00) per month as and from April 1, 1919.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to theAuditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

Grant application for Auctioneer license

Reported back application of George York for Auctioneer's license and moved same be granted when fee is paid. So ordered upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Sminck and President Hylan.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Corporation Counsel's opinion regarding interest on sewer assessment bills

Councilman Graves called upon the Corporation Counsel to inform the Council why the bills for sewer assessments, sent out by the collector about April 15th, bear interest at 8% from Feb. 17th.

The Corporation Counsel reported that the law required that assessments shall draw interest at the rate fixed for taxes from the date of confirmation, and that the Collector shall send out bills within two months, and that the Council has no power to authorize the Collector not to collect it.

Invitation for Council to march in Victory Parade

Councilman Ackerman, for Mr. Whitney Baker, Marshall of the Victory Parade to be held Saturday the 26th, invited the Council to march in a body, meeting at the City Hall at 3:30 p. m.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Reported all calims presented as correct, and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

RESOLVED: That warrants be drawn to pay the following:-

Pay claims

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of Officials and General Office Employees for the 1st half of April 1919, amounting to	531.84
Claims appearing on the Miscellaneous Appropriation Account dated April 21, 1919, amounting to	10267.47
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 1st half of April 1919, amounting to	193.75
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Inspector for the 1st half of April 1919, amounting to	45.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 1st half of April 1919, amounting to	88.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Permanent Pavement Account for the 1st half of April, 1919, amounting to	48.25
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Storm Sewer Account for the 1st half of April, 1919, amounting to	10.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 1st half of April 1919, amounting to	1582.51

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Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 1st half of April 1919, amounting to	247.63
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 1st half of April 1919, amounting to	1118.29
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the FireDepartment for the 1st half of April 1919, amounting to	1642.75
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 1st half of April 1919, amounting to	136.92
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 1st half of April 1919, amounting to	120.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 1st half of April 1919, amounting to	62.50
	$16097.08

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Sminck and President Hylan.

On motion the meeting then adjourned to Tuesday April 29th, at 8 o'clock p. m.

John J Carroll

City Clerk.

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Tuesday Evening, April 29, 1919.

Special Meeting

Special meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck. Absent Councilmen Ackerman and Lovell.

The clerk read the request of the President, that a special meeting be called for Tuesday, April 29th, at 8 o'clock p. m., and the Call as issued by the clerk and served upon each member of the Council that a special meeting would be held April 29th, which Request and Call are as follows:

April 23, 1919

Mr. John J. Carroll,
City Clerk
Plainfield, N. J.

Dear Sir:-

Request

Please call a Special Meeting of the Common Council for Tuesday, April 29, 1919, for the purpose of taking final action upon an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the Permanent Improvement of Certain Streets and Portions of Streets of the City of Plainfield with Permanent and Durable Vitrified Brick Pavement and of certain other streets or portions of streets with Permanent and Durable Cement Concrete Pavement and to Provide the Necessary Funds in advance of the Collection of Assessments for Benefits.", as amended.

Yours truly,
(Signed) Thos. F. Hylan
President.

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April 23, 1919.

Dear Sir:-

Call

Pursuant to the written request of the President, a Special Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield will be held at the Council Chamber, City Hall, Plainfield, N. J. on Tuesday, the 29th day of April, 1919, at 8 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of taking final action on an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the Permanent Improvement of Certain Streets and Portions of Streets of the City of Plainfield with Permanent and Durable Vitrified Brick Pavement and of certain other streets or portions of streets with Permanent and Durable Cement Concrete Pavement and to Provide the Necessary

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Funds in advance of the Collection of Assessments for Benefits.", as amended.

Yours truly,

(Signed) John J. Carroll
City Clerk.

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Councilman Condict moved that the Street Improvement Ordinance as amended be read. So ordered.

The Clerk read the said ordinance, which is as follows:

Ordinance for permanent improvement of certain streets, etc. as amended

AN ORDINANCE for the Permanent Improvement of Certain Streets and Portions of Streets of the City of Plainfield with Permanent and Durable Vitrified Brick Pavement and of certain other streets or portions of streets with Permanent and Durable Cement Concrete Pavement and to Provide the Necessary Funds in advance of the Collection of Assessments for Benefits.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

SECTION I. That the following named streets and portions of streets of the City of Plainfield shall be permanently improved as specified in Sec. 2:

WEST SECOND STREET, from the present brick pavement at Park Avenue to the northeasterly side line of Central Avenue.

MADISON AVENUE, from the present brick pavement at West Front Street to the bridge over Green Brook.

MADISON AVENUE, from the southeasterly side line of West Second Street to the northwesterly side line of West Fourth Street.

SYCAMORE STREET, from the present brick pavement at East Fourth Street to the northwesterly side line of East Fifth Street.

EAST THIRD STREET, from the present brick pavement at Watchung Avenue to the southwesterly side line of Richmond Street .

SEC. 2. The said streets and portions of streets named in Section 1 shall be improved in the following manner:

By paving, with vitrified brick on a cement-concrete base six (6) inches thick with a cement-sand cushion, the roadways for their entire width

between curb lines, with abutments contiguous to the curb lines, six (6) inches by twenty (20) inches in section, with galvanized steel corner bars, except that at intersecting streets said pavement shall extend to the side lines of the streets to be improved, and the abutments of such portions shall be twelve (12) inches by eighteen inches in section.

By doing all grading incident to said improvement.

SEC. 3. That PLAINFIELD AVENUE, from West Fifth Street to West Seventh Street shall be improved in the following manner:

By paving, with cement-concrete pavement six (6) inches thick at the curb lines and eight and one-half (8-1/2) inches thick in the center, (reinforced with steel wire fabric if and where necessary) the roadway of said Plainfield Avenue for its entire width between curb lines, with abutments contiguous to the curb lines, six (6) inches by twenty (20) inches in section, with galvanized steel corner bars, except that at West Sixth Street said pavement shall extend to the side line of Plainfield Avenue and the abutments of such portion shall be twelve (12) inches by eighteen (18) inches in section.

By doing all grading incident to said improvement.

SEC. 4. That PLAINFIELD AVENUE, from West Seventh Street to the southerly City Line, shall be improved in the following manner:

By paving, with cement-concrete pavement six (6) inches thick at the sides and eight and one-half (8-1/2) inches thick in the center (reinforced with steel wire fabric if and where necessary) the roadway of said Plainfield Avenue for a width of eighteen (18) feet, that is to say, nine (9) feet on each side of the center line thereof.

By constructing shoulders of bituminous macadam three (3) feet wide and six (6) inches thick along each side of the concrete pavement, said shoulders to be extended to the side lines of Plainfield Avenue at intersecting macadamized streets.

By constructing underdrains, where required, of four (4) inch drain tile surrounded by broken

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stone, slag or screened gravel.

By doing all grading incident to said improvement.

SEC. 5. All work shall be given out upon contract and specifications, in form previously approved by the Common Council, to the lowest responsible bidder and only after bids therefor shall have been solicited and received according to law.

SEC. 6. That the Common Council, under and by virtue of the act of the legislature entitled "An Act concerning municipalities," approved March 27, 1917, and acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, does hereby appropriate the sum of One hundred and thirty thousand dollars ($130,000.00) to be applied to and used for the purpose of making the said improvements set forth in this ordinance.

SEC. 7. That for the purpose of providing for the payment of said improvements in advance of the collection of assessments for benefits, the Common Council, in pursuance of Section 13 of an Act of the Legislature entitled "An Act to authorize and regulate the issuance of bonds and other obligations and the incurring of indebtedness by County, city, borough, village, town, township or any municipality governed by an improvement commission" approved March 22, 1916, and acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, shall by resolution authorize the issuing from time to time of temporary notes or temporary bonds of the City of Plainfield, which said resolution shall fix the maximum interest thereon, not exceeding six per centum per annum. Said notes or bonds shall state in general terms the purpose for which they are issued, shall be payable on demand or mature in not exceeding six years from the date when the purpose for which they are issued has been carried out, or subject to earlier call for payment, and executed as the said Common Council may provide. Such notes or bonds so issued shall be paid or funded within six years after the purpose for which they are issued has been carried out.

SEC. 8. That it is hereby determined and declared as follows:

(a) The probable period of the usefulness of the aforesaid brick pavement and cement-concrete pavement is twenty years.

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(b) The average assessed valuation of the taxable real property (including improvements) of the City of Plainfield, computed upon the next preceeding three valuations thereof by the statement filed under Section 12 of the act mentioned in Section 7, is $28,082,159.00.

(c) The net debt of the City of Plainfield computed in the manner provided in Section 12 of said Act is $1,019,270.50.

(d) That the statement required by such Section 12 of said act has been made by the Treasurer of the City of Plainfield, the chief financial officer of said City, and filed in the office of the Clerk thereof as required by said act.

SEC. 9. That upon the completion of said improvements there shall be levied an assessment on the property bordering on said streets or portions thereof benefited or increased in value by reason of said improvements, which said assessments shall in each case be as near as may be in proportion to the peculiar benefit, advantage or increase in value which the respective lots or parcels of land and real estate shall be deemed to have received by reason of such improvements; and in no case shall any assessment or any parcel of land exceed in amount such peculiar benefit, advantage or increase in value. Should the cost and expenses of the said improvements exceed the amount of said benefits so assessed, the excess thereof shall be paid by the City at large, and raised by general tax.

Councilman Ackerman and Lovell came in while the said ordinance was being read.

Adopt Ordinance as amended

Councilman Condict moved final adoption of the Street Improvement Ordinance as read.

The motion being duly seconded, was unanimously adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Sminck and President Hylan.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J. Carroll

City Clerk.

Tuesday evening, April 29, 1919.

Adjourned regular

Adjourned regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck, being all the members of the Council.

Minutes of regular meeting held April 21st were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Applications Junkmen

Three applications for junkmen's licenses were presented and referred to the License Committee.

Petition install gasoline tank.

Petition was received from L. H. Gates for permission to install on his premises a gasoline tank. Referred to the Fire and Buildings Committee.

Protest against installation of block paving on West Front Street

Protest from B. F. Tallamy and others against the installation on West Front Street of any more block paving such as installed by the Public Service Ry. Co. from Madison Avenue to Washington Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

CITY HALL BUILDING BY COUNCILMAN ACKERMAN:

No report.

JUNKMEN'S PROPERTIES BY COUNCILMAN GRAVES:

Reported progress.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

No report.

STREETS & SEWERS BY CHAIRMAN CONDICT:

Adv. Street Improvement Ordinance

Chairman Condict moved that the Street Improvement Ordinance adopted on final reading at the special meeting held this evening, be duly advertised as required by law. So ordered upon a call of theroll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan

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Offered the following resolution approving and adopting plans, specifications, etc. for Street paving:

Approve and adopt plans and specifications for Street paving.

RESOLVED, That the plans, specifications, information, forms, etc., for the furnishing of materials and doing the work contemplated under the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the permanent improvement of certain streets and portions of streets of the City of Plainfield with permanent and durable vitrified brick pavement and of certain other streets or portions of streets with permanent and durable cement concrete pavement, and to provide the necessary funds in advance of the collection of assessments for benefits" which documents are marked or entitled "Specifications, information for bidders, form of proposal, contract and bond, for the construction of brick pavement and concrete pavement in the City of Plainfield, N. J., April 1919" together with the plans accompanying the same which are marked or entitled, "Plans for the permanent improvement of streets, City of Plainfield, N. J., April 1919", which were presented and ordered filed April 21, 1919, be and are hereby approved and adopted.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard, McDonough, Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to advertise for bids for street paving to be received May 19th:

Advertise for bids for doing the work and furnishing materials for street improvement.

RESOLVED, That this Common Council will meet at the Council Chambers in the Municipal Building Plainfield, N. J. on Monday May 19th, 1919 at 8:00 o'clock P. M. at which time and place it will receive sealed bids or proposals for doing the work and furnishing the materials for street improvements as contemplated in the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the permanent improvement of certain streets and portions of streets of the City of Plainfield with permanent and durable vitrified brick pavement and of certain other streets or portions of streets with permanent and durable cement concrete pavement and to provide the necessary funds in advance of the collection of assessments for benefits", as provided for in the plans and specifications etc., therefore approved by the Common Council on this date and filed in the office of the City Clerk, on April 21, 1919.

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RESOLVED FURTHER, That the City Clerk give public notice thereof by advertisement published once in the official newspaper, the Plainfield Courier-News at least ten days prior to said 19th day of May 1919 substantially in the form hereto annexed and also by publishing a short notice of such meeting and its purpose to receive bids or proposals as aforesaid in the Engineering News-Record at least once at least ten days prior to the date of said meeting.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That at the said meeting the Common Council will proceed to publicly open all such sealed bids or proposals as may be then and there received, and to record the same and to announce the contents thereof in the presence of the parties bidding or their agents if they or any of them choose to be then and there present, and to act in respect to such bids or proposals in all respects as provided by law; the Common Council hereby expressly reserving the right to reject any and all bids or proposals.

Form of Advertisement for Official Newspapers.

Sealed bids or proposals will be received by the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, N. J., at the Council Chambers thereof at 8 P.M. on Monday May 19th for doing the work and furnishing the materials contemplated in the ordinance of said City entitled "An Ordinance for the permanent improvement of certain streets and portions of streets of the City of Plainfield with permanent and durable vitrified brick pavement and of certain other streets or portions of streets with permanent and durable cement concrete pavement, and to provide the necessary funds in advance of the collection of Assessments for benefits", adopted April 29, 1919 and as provided in the "Specifications, Information for Bidders, Form of Proposal, Contract and Bond, for the construction of brick pavement and concrete pavement in the City of Plainfield, N. J. April 1919" and in the plans accompanying the same entitled "Plans for the permanent improvement of streets, City of Plainfield, N.J., April 1919", approved by the Common Council April 29, 1919 and filed in the office of the City Clerk of said City April 21, 1919.

Upon receipt of such bids or proposals the said Common Council will immediately proceed publicly to unseal the same, announce the contents and make proper record thereof as required by law. No bids will be received before or after the hour set, and right to reject any or all bids is expressly reserved by the Common Council. Duplicate plans may be ex-

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amined and copy of specifications, information for bidders and form of proposal, contract and bond together with Engineers approximate estimate may be obtained at the office of Andrew J. Gavett, City Engineer or of the undersigned, in the Municipal Building, Plainfield, N. J.

John J. Carroll, City Clerk.

Short Form of Advertisement for Engineering News-Record.

PROPOSALS.
Bids open May 19th, 1919.
Concrete and Brick Paving
Plainfield, N. J.

Sealed proposals will be received by the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, N. J. at the Council Chambers in said City on Monday May 19th, 1919 at 8 P.M. for paving certain streets with reinforced concrete and certain other streets with vitrified brick on concrete base.

The approximate amount of the principal items of the work is as follows:-

14700 Sq. Yds of vitrified brick pavement
2300 Cubic Yds of cement concrete pavement
9400 Lin. Feet of concrete abuttements in place of curbs.

Plans, specifications and forms of proposals contracts, etc may be had of Andrew J. Gavett, City Engineer or of John J. Carroll, City Clerk, Municipal Building, Plainfield, N.J.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard, McDonough, Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to have 200 copies of plans, and specifications for street paving printed:

Resolution
Print 200 copies of plans and specifications

RESOLVED, That the Street Committee be, and it hereby is, authorized to have printed two (200) copies of the "Specifications, Information for Bidders, Form of Proposal, Contract and Bond, for the Construction of Brick Pavement and Concrete Pavement in the City of Plainfield, N. J. April 1919", which said document was filed with the City Clerk April 21, 1919.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard, Mc Donough, Sminck and President Hylan.

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File map "Property Samuel T. Shaw & Julia E. Ford"

Presented map entitled "Map of property belonging to Samuel T. Shaw and Julia E. Ford, City of Plainfield, N. J., December, 1912" (tracing and white print) and moved same be filed. So ordered.

Offered the following resolution to approve map of property of Shaw and Ford:

Resolution approve map of property of Shaw and Ford

WHEREAS: Samuel E. Shaw and Julia E. Ford filed in duplicate with the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, the same being the governing body for control of the streets and highways of said City, a certain map of plots of land lying wholly within the said City of Plainfield, entitled "Map of Property Belonging to Samuel T. Shaw and Julia E. Ford, City of Plainfield, N. J., December 1912", which map shows certain property owned by the said Samuel T. Shaw and Julia E.Ford fronting on the following streets: Monroe Avenue, Stanley Place, Lexington Place, Clinton Avenue, West Sixth Street, West Fifth Street and West Fourth Street.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, that the layout of the property shown on map above referred to be, and the same hereby is, approved to the end that the said map be accepted for filing by the Register of Deeds of the County of Union; provided, however, that this approval of said map shall in no wise be construed as an acceptance of any lot, street or highway indicated thereon, nor shall such approval in any way obligate the State of New Jersey, or Union County, or the City of Plainfield to maintain or exercise jurisdiction in said streets, lots, or highways, or any or either of them.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard, McDonough, Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to transfer a city telephone from 917 West Fifth Street to 710 West Fourth Street:

Resolution Transfer city telephone

WHEREAS, Mr. Frank J. Day, Foreman in the Street Department of the City of Plainfield, has changed his residence from 917 W. 5th St. to 710 W. 4th St., and

WHEREAS it becomes necessary to move the telephone now located at his former address to the new,

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Telephone Company be and is hereby requested to make the necessary change at their regular service connection charge, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to sign the Company's regular form of contract providing for such work.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard McDonough, Sminck and President Hylan.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HIGHT:

Offered the following resolution authorizing the City Clerk to turn over to the Committee certain communications now on file with the City Clerk:

Resolution turn over to Fire + Bldgs Com. correspondence filed with Council regarding increased water main capacity West Front Street.

WHEREAS; There were filed with the City Clerk by order of the Common Council at their meeting held October 7, 1918, certain letters and papers constituting correspondence with the International Motor Company regarding increased water main capacity down West Front Street to furnish more water in case of fire at the works of the said Motor Company, and

WHEREAS: The above mentioned correspondence is now required by the Fire & Buildings Committee in connection with matters now in their hands

RESOLVED, That the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to turn over the said correspondence to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard, McDonough, Sminck and President Hylan.

Petition as amended granted to move three buildings

Reported back petition of Nathan Myers for permission to move three houses across East Fourth Street, and moved the petition be granted. Councilman Sminck moved to amend, that the petition be granted subject to the approval of the Street Commissioner; seconded by Councilman Condict. The amendment was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative. The motion as amended , that the petition be granted, subject to the approval of the Street Commissioner, was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell Maynard, McDonough, Sminck and President Hylan.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

No report.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN MCDONOUGH:

No report.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

No report.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

Grant applications for Junkmen license

Reported back application of G. Goldberg and T. Martin for junkmen's license, and moved they be granted when fees are paid. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard, McDonough, Sminck and President Hylan.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Rescind resolution approving map of property of Shaw & Ford and refer map & petition back to Street Committee

Councilman Ackerman moved we re-consider the vote by which we adopted the resolution approving the map of property of Samuel T. Shaw and Julia E. Ford. So ordered.

Councilman Ackerman moved that we rescind the resolution approving map of property of Shaw and Ford, and that the map and resolution be referred back to the Street Committee. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard, McDonough, Sminck and President Hylan.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

No report.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J Carroll

City Clerk.

Monday Evening, May 5, 1919.

Regular

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck. Absent, Councilmen Force and Graves.

Minutes of the Special Meeting, and of the adjourned regular meeting, held Tuesday April 29th were each read and approved.

Councilmen Graves and Force came in while minutes were being read.

Rules suspended

Councilman Sminck moved regular order of business be suspended for the purpose of receiving bids for Coal as advertised. So ordered.

Affidavit of Publication

The Clerk presented proof of publication, showing that bids had been advertised for according to law. Said proof of publication was ordered filed.

The President stated that the hour had arrived for receiving bids for Coal as advertised, and that if there were any persons present desirous of submitting bids, they should deposit such bids on the clerk's desk.

No bids received

After ample opportunity had been given for presenting bids, and no bids being presented, the President declared the opportunity closed.

Councilman Sminck moved Council return to regular order of business. So ordered.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Petition F. L. Steffens install gasoline tank.

Petition was received from F. L. Steffens for permission to install a 500 gallon gasoline tank, at #1012 East Second Street, which was read and referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Petition N. Swenson

Petition from H. Swenson and others to have Woodbine Avenue scraped and cleaned and the roadway put in better condition, was read and referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition C. N. Hand canal sewer assessment

Petition from Chas. H. Hand for cancellation of sewer assessment made on vacant lots on Rushmore Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition Central Auto Supply Co. install gasoline Tank.

Petition from the Central Auto Supply Co. for permission to install a 500 gallon Gasoline tank on premises #130 Central Avenue. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

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Communicatin Elks Lodge- Apply for permit to sell liquors.

Communication of April 28th from the Plainfield Lodge No. 885, B. P. O. Elks, giving notice that the said Lodge will apply to the Court of Common Pleas on May 6th, 1919, for permit or license to sell liquors. Referred to the License Committee.

Petition Plainfield Cab Co install gasoline tank

Petition from the Plainfield Cab Co. for permission to install a 500 gallon gasoline tank on premises #207 North Avenue. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Communicatin East End Civic Assn-

Communication of April 23d from the East End Civic Association submitting copy of resolutions adopted by said Association at a meeting thereof held April 8th, referring to

Unsanitary conditions due to want of sewer in Hillcrest Avenue near George Street,

Garbage and Ashes disposal should be taken under municipal control.

Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:

Communicatin from Mayor nominating Special Police

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, nominating John Doughty and Edwin Walter Hughes, as special policemen. Referred to the Police Committee.

Communicatin from Mayor transmitting letter re County Parks.

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, transmitting letter of April 23d from a Committee on County Parks of the Board of Freeholders, requesting the appointment of a Committee from Plainfield to confer with the County Committee. Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Certificate Street Commis work done by Newark Paving Co. completed in satisfactory manner

Certificate of the Street Commissioner, that the work of constructing brick pavement under contract between the City and the Newark Paving Co., dated April 20, 1917, has been completed and all the provisions of the contract complied with in a satisfactory manner. Referred to the Financ Committee.

Certificate Street Commis work done by Julius J. Stahl completed in satisfactory manner.

Certificate of the Street Commissioner that the work of constructing storm sewer under contract between the City and Julius J. Stahl, dated May 23, 1918, has been completed, and all the provisions of the contract have been complied with in a satisfactory manner. Referred to the Financ Committee.

Certificate Engr. in Charge of Sewers- work done by Lange & Haslam completed in satisfactory manner.

Certificate of the Engineer in Charge of Sewers that the work of constructing a Pumping Station, sanitary sewers and appurtenances, under contract between the City and Lange & Haslam Co., dated July 24, 1916, has been completed and the provisions of the contract complied with in a satisfactory manner. Referred to the Finance Committee.

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Certificate Engr. in charge of Sewers - work done by Hickey + Houghton

Certificate of the Engineer in Charge of Sewers, that the work of constructing sewers under contract between the City and Hickey & Houghton, dated Sept. 15, 1916, had been completed and the provisions of the contract complied with in a satisfactory manner. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Report Overseer of Poor, Insp. of Bldgs, Collector & Treasurer.

Report of the Overseer of the Poor, of the Inspector of Buildings, Collector and Treasurer, for the month of April, were each read and ordered filed.

Report Sewer Permits

Report of the Engineer in Charge of Sewers, of sewer permits granted during the month of April (22) was read and ordered filed.

Supplemental Debt Statement

Supplemental debt statement of the Treasurer, showing the net debt to be 4.1% on the average assessed valuation, was read and ordered filed.

Report City Clerk.

Report of the City Clerk of receipts for the month of April was read and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

CITY HALL BUILDING BY COUNCILMAN ACKERMAN:

No report.

JUNKMEN'S PROPERTIES BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

Presented the following report which was read:

May 1, 1919.

The Honorable Common Council
City of Plainfield, N. J.

Report of Committee re Junkmens properties

Gentlemen:-

At the suggestion of the President of the Council I called upon the various licensees and beg to report as follows:

Samuel Kline 545 W. 3rd St., yard well kept, fences in poor condition, violation of fire ordinance here, frame building being too near party line.

Morris Lowitz, 675 W. 3rd St., no longer uses this place for a junk yard, but has a yard at 415 John Street, which he keeps in fairly good condition. Here also, I find a violation of fire ordinance - frame building on party line. Owner of this property is Max Morris, 413 John Street.

H. Rosenthal, 654 W. 4th St., junk yard at 613 So. 2nd St. yard well kept no great accumulation of junk being there.

Hyman Bussel, 343 New Street, yard well kept.

Gutman Lurie, 518 W. 3rd St., yard at W. 4th St. in good condition. Says he is going to remove yard to 712 W. 3d Street. Advised him to get permission of Council before doing so.

Isaac R. Srager, 514 W. 3d St. Yard in as good a condition as can be maintained with the material they handle. One shed on this property should be covered with gal. iron on side next to party line and he has agreed to do this.

Frank W. Pinn, 687 W. 3d St. Yard in pretty fair shpae but fences are poor and he promised to fix them.

Eli Bussel, 469 W. Front St. Yard well kept.

Mr. Sminck, who agreed to visit the Junk Yards in the east end of the City, reports them as being well taken care of.

One suggestion I would like to make, that in the future all applicants give their resident address and also the address at which they propose doing business. The reason for this suggestion is this - we have here a license to do business at 675 W. 3rd St. and find the yard at 415 John St., and don't think that should be permitted. The Council might have no objection to granting a junk yard license in locations where junk yards have existed for many years, but might seriously object, after granting such license, to have the licensee move his yard into a new section where his very presence might have the tendency to depreciate property values.

On the whole I found very little to complain of and a willingness to follow any suggestions I might see fit to offer.

Very truly yours,

Charles C. Graves,
Chairman License Committee.

Councilman Maynard moved the report be accepted, and referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee for investigation and report. So ordered.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

Resolution borrow $1500 Street Imp.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $1500 for Street Improvement account:

RESOLVED, That the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars ($1,500.00) be borrowed for Street Improvement 1916 purposes in anticipation of the sale of bonds and the collection of assessments,

and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City note in said sum of $1500.00 payable on demand.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $500 for Storm Sewer Account:

Resolution Borrow $500 Storm Sewer

RESOLVED, That Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00) be borrowed for Storm Sewer, 1918, Purposes in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments; and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City note in said sum of Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00) payable on demand.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Council men Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $5000 for Permanent Pavement account:

Resolution borrow $5000 Permanent Pavement Acct.

RESOLVED, That Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) be borrowed for Permanent Pavement 1917 purposes in anticipation of the collection of assessments; and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City note in said sum of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) payable on demand.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY CHAIRMAN CONDICT:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

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FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HIGHT:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Refer communication re County Parks to Research & Advisory Com.

Reported back communication from the Mayor, with communication from the Board of Freeholders, respecting County Parks, and moved the same be referred to the Research and Advisory Commission. So ordered.

File communication from East End Civic Assn.

Reported back for filing communication from the East End Civic Association and moved that the City Clerk advise the petitioners that the question of a sanitary sewer in Hillcrest Avenue was in the hands of the Committee on Sewers, and that the question of collection and disposal of garbage and ashes was in the hands of the Research and Advisory Commission for investigation. So ordered.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of special policemen, and offered the following resolution confirming the same:

Resolution Special Police (Home Defense)

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

John Doughty
Edwin Walter Hughes

as Special Policemen of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield to serve until January 1, 1920, without pay, and for such service as the Mayor or Board of Police may fix and determine; said persons having agreed to accept such appointment.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

Reported bill correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

File notice from Elks Lodge.

Reported back notice from the Plainfield Lodge of Elks that they would make application to the court May 6th for license or permit, and moved same be filed. So ordered.

LAWS & ORDINANCE BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Councilman Sminck reported back certificates from the Street Commissioner, and Engineer in Charge of Sewers, that work under certain contracts had been completed satisfactorily, and moved they be filed. So ordered.

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution appropriating a sum not exceeding $200 for the use of the Street Committee:

Resolution appropriate sum for having sketches made relative to widening Park Ave & opening new Street

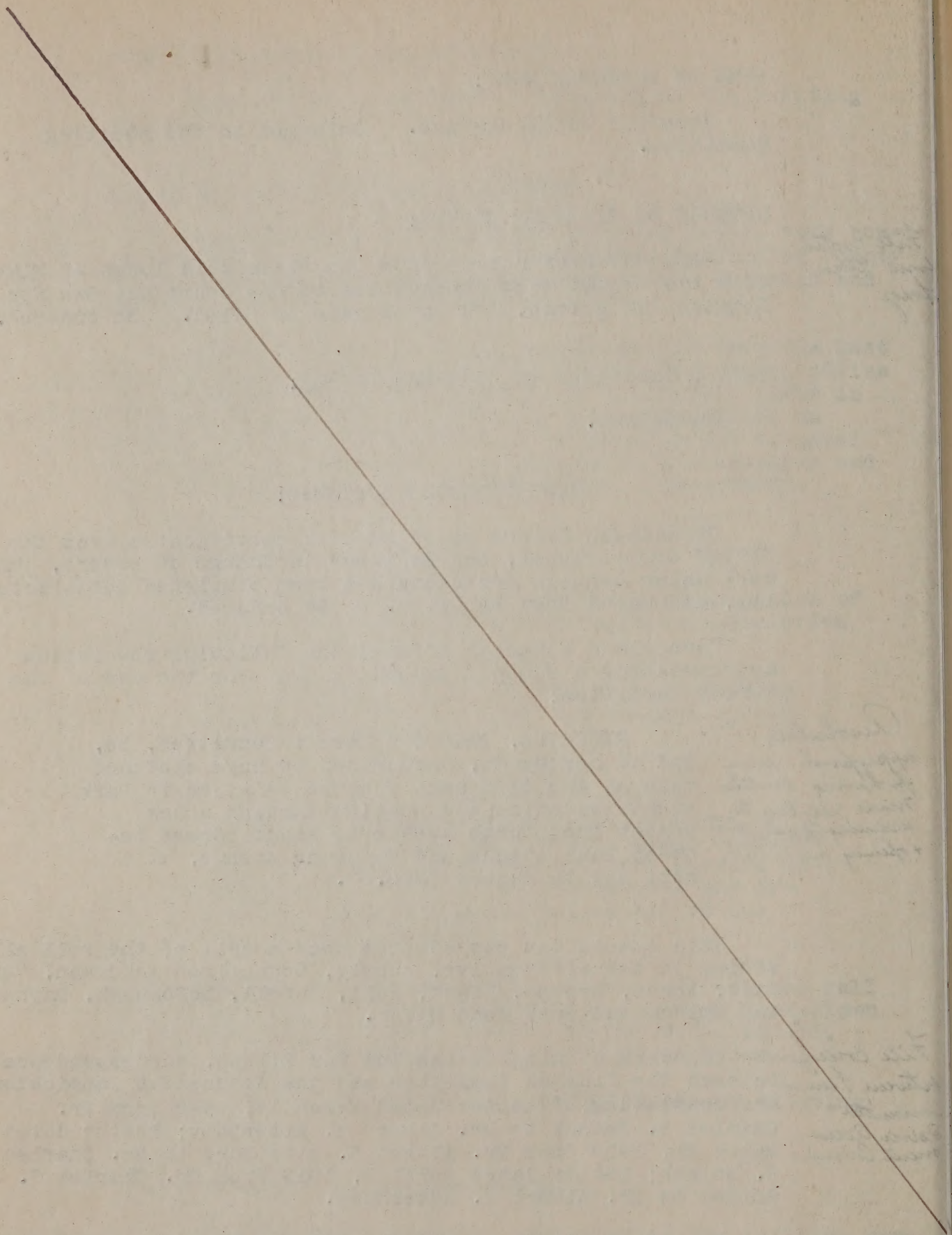
RESOLVED, That the Street Committee, be, and it hereby is, authorized to have sketches made of the different schemes relative to Park Avenue widening and putting through a new street from North Avenue to Front Street between Park Avenue and Watchung Avenue, at a cost not to exceed $200.00.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

File correspondence between Finance Committee & Sewer Assessment Commrs

Councilman Sminck presented for filing, correspondence between the Finance Committee and the Assessment Commissioners consisting of letter dated March 18, 1919 from Mr. Charles S. Sminck to Mr. Albert H. Atterbury; letter dated March 21, 1919 from Mr. Albert H. Atterbury to Mr. Charles S. Sminck; letter dated April 5, 1919 from Mr. Charles S. Sminck to Mr. Albert H. Atterbury.

Councilman Force stated that he had been requested to draw to the attention of the Council the suggestion that there should be a shade or umbrella during the summer for the protection of the patrolman on duty at the corner of



Park Avenue and Front Street.

Councilman Sminck offered the following resolution that the Police Committee be requested to provide an umbrella:

Resolution request Police Com. to provide umbrella for officer in charge of traffic Park Ave & Front

RESOLVED: That the Police Committee be requested to provide an umbrella to protect from the sun the officers in charge of traffic at the corner of Park Avenue and Front Street.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

At this time the Corporation Counsel took occasion to make a further explanation as to why the bills for sewer assessments carried an interest charge from the date of confirmation of the report.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Reported all claims presented as correct, and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

Resolution Pay claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:-

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the General pay roll for the 2nd half of April, 1919, amounting to	531.83
Claims appearing on the General Appropriation Account dated May 5, 1919, amounting to	8852.96
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 2nd half of April, 1919, amounting to	193.75
Claims appearing on the Tax Department Appropriation Account dated May 5, 1919, amounting to	66.85
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 2nd half of April 1919, amounting to	62.50
Claims appearing on the City Court Appropriation Account dated May 5, 1919, amounting to	3.70
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Inspector for the 2nd half of April 1919, amounting to	45.84
Claims appearing on the Building Inspector's Appropriation Account	

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dated May 5, 1919, amounting to	9.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 2nd half of April, 1919, amounting to	120.83
Claims appearing on the District Court Appropriation Account dated May 5th, 1919, amounting to	15.85
Claims appearing on the Publishing and Advertising Appropriation Account dated May 5, 1919, amounting to	30.30
Claims appearing on the Street Lighting Appropriation Account dated May 5, 1919, amounting to	1684.01
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 2nd half of April 1919, amounting to	1583.34
Claims appearing on the Street Department Appropriation Account dated May 5, 1919, amounting to	3509.75
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 2nd half of April 1919, amounting to	262.85
Claims appearing on the Sewer Department Appropriation Account dated May 5, 1919, amounting to	267.36
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 2nd half of April, 1919, amounting to	171.69
Claims appearing on the Shade Tree Commission Appropriation Account dated May 5, 1919, amounting to	15.50
Claims appearing on the Street Improvement 1916 Appropriation Account dated May 5, 1919, amounting to	1296.25
Claims appearing on the Permanent Pavement 1917 Appropriation Account dated May 5, 1919, amounting to	6848.80
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Permanent Pavement Account for the 2nd half of April 1919, amounting to	28.00
Claims appearing on the Storm Sewer Account 1918 Appropriation Account dated May 5, 1919, amounting to	587.57
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 2nd half of April 1919, amounting to	1157.08
Claims appearing on the Police Department Appropriation Account	

dated May 5, 1919, amounting to	393.29
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 2nd half of April 1919, amounting to	1646.84
Claims appearing on the Fire Department Appropriation Account dated May 5, 1919, amounting to	924.24
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 2nd half of April 1919, amounting to	135.41
Claims appearing on the Poor Department Appropriation Account dated May 5, 1919, amounting to	780.06
Claims appearing on the Muhlenberg Hospital Appropriation Account dated May 5, 1919, amounting to	1511.94
Total	$32737.39

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J Carroll

City Clerk.

Monday Evening, May 19, 1919.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present: President Hylan and Councilmen Condict, Force, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck. Absent, Councilmen Ackerman, Graves, Hight and Hull.

Minutes of regular meeting held May 5th were read and approved.

Receive bids for street improvements

Councilman Condict moved regular order of business be suspended for the purpose of receiving bids for street improvements as contemplated by the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the permanent improvement of certain streets and portions of streets of the City of Plainfield with permanent and durable vitrified brick pavement and of certain other streets or portions of streets with permanent and durable cement concrete pavement and to provide the necessary funds in advance of the collection of assessments for benefits", adopted April 29, 1919, and approved May 2, 1919. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Condict, Force, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Affidavit of Publication

The Clerk presented proof of publication, showing that bids had been advertised for according to law, which proof of publication was ordered filed.

The President stated that the hour had arrived for receiving bids for street improvements as advertised, and that if there were any persons present desirous of submitting bids, they should deposit such bids on the clerk's desk.

The Clerk reported seven (7) bids received.

The President asked if there were any other persons present desiring to submit bids, stating that none would be received after the Clerk commenced to open the bids. After ample opportunity had been given, and no other bids being presented, the President declared the opportunity closed; and appointed Councilmen Maynard and Force to assist the Clerk in opening the bids received. The following concerns presented bids, which bids are set out in detail on the attached blue print:

Bids

Newark Paving Company,	Newark, N. J.
Jos. F. Burke Company	Plainfield, N.J.
Ralph F. Relly	Easton, Pa.
Richards & Gaston Inc.	New York City
McInerney & McNeal Inc.	Easton, Pa.
Weldon Contracting Co	Westfield, N.J.
The Osborne & Marsellis Co.	Upper Montclair,N.J

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On motion the bids were referred to the Committee on Streets.

Councilman Condict moved Council return to regular order of business. So ordered.

Councilmen Ackerman, Graves, Hight and Hull came in while bids were being opened.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Communication Firemen's Mutual Benevolent Assn.

Communication of May 19th from the Firemen, by W. J. Dunn, Secretary Firemen's Mutual Benevolent Association, calling attention to communication for increase in pay; and offering suggestions, namely:

I. That pay days be changed to the 15th and last days of each month;

II. That there be only three Classes instead of six;

III. That compensation range from $1200 to $1500; was read and referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

File Insurance Policy

Insurance policy Aetna Inst. Co. No. 9537, F. A. Martin Co. Agents, for $4500, covering Randolph Road Pumping Station, for one year from May 20, 1919, was presented and ordered filed.

Application Junkman's Licence

Application of Antonio Macchia for Junkman's license was presented and referred to the License Committee.

Petition St. Mary's Catholic Church Cemetery Assn.

Petition of the St. Mary's Catholic Church Cemetery Association against sewer assessment assessed against the said Cemetery Association, in the form of a Writ of Certiorati returnable June 3, 1919, Wm. Newcorn Attorney for petitioner, was presented, read and referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Certificate of Board of Education fixing amount needed for enlarging Emerson Ave. School.

Certificate of the Board of School Estimate, certifying that at a meeting of said Board held May 13, 1919, a resolution was adopted that there would be needed by the Board of Education for erecting, enlarging and furnishing an addition to the Emerson Avenue School, the sum of $140,000, and submitting a certificate signed by all the members of said Board that they had fixed and determined that the sum of $140,000 is necessary for the said addition to the Emerson Avenue School, was presented, read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Petition Wm. A. Coddington cancellation sewer assessment

Petition from Wm. A. Coddington for cancellation of assessment for sewer on property No. 109-113-115 Lafayette Place, was presented, read and referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition Frank A. Marionsheck cancellation sewer

Petition from Frank A. Marionsheck to have assessment for sewer on property Nos. 1860-1870 N. Third Street canceled was presented, read and referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition Edward H. Goodwin install gasoline tank

Petition from Edward H. Goodwin for permission to install a 504 gallon gasoline tank in front of property No. 222-224 West Second Street, was presented, read and referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Petition Chas. Keiderling Jr. re memorial

Petition from Charles Keiderling, Jr., and others that the Council consider property bounded by Watchung Avenue, East Front Street as far east as the First Presbyterian Church, and Green Brook, for a site for recreation spot, partially as a memorial to our soldiers, was presented, read and referred to the Committee on Streets.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:

File report Clerk of District Court

Report of the Clerk of the District Court for the month of April was presented, read and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

CITY HALL BUILDING BY COUNCILMAN ACKERMAN:

No report.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY CHAIRMAN CONDICT:

Offered the following resolution to return check of M. Mango deposited with bid presented in October, 1918:

Resolution return certified check to M. Mango deposited with bid

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield held October 7, 1918, bids were received for doing the work and furnishing the materials for the construction of the sewers contemplated in the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the construction of a further addition to the system of sewerage already constructed in the City of Plainfield No. 19", approved September 4, 1918, and

WHEREAS, one of the conditions imposed upon the bidders was a deposit of a certified check by the successful bidder, and

WHEREAS, Michael Mango, of the City of Plain-

field, was the successful bidder and did in compliance with the terms and conditions of the specifications, deposit with the City Treasurer certified check for $100.00, and

WHEREAS, the sewers contemplated under the above mentioned ordinance were not constructed and no contract entered into between the City of Plainfield and the said Michael Mango for the work so above contemplated

BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Treasurer be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to return to the said Michael Mango said certified check for $100.00.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to advertise for bis for construction of concrete sidewalks and curbs to standard specifications:

Resolution adv. bids for construction sidewalks and curbs.

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to advertise in the form prescribed by law for bids to construct concrete sidewalks and concrete curbs in the City of Plainfield according to the standard specifications of the City.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Mc Donough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Resolution to purchase 9" strip of land on De Kalb Ave. from Chas. H. Hand adopted as amended

Offered a resolution to purchase nine inch (9") stri of land on DeKalb Avenue from Charles H. Hand. The resolutio having been read, Councilman Ackerman moved to amend by adding thereto, that the title be accepted after it has been searched and passed upon by the Corporation Counsel. Amendme adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan. The resolution as amended was then adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan. The resolution as amended and adopted is as follows:

WHEREAS, Charles H. Hand owns a strip of land nine inches wide and three hundred forty-one and ninety-two hundredths feet long extending from the northerly side of Myrtle Avenue four hundred feet northerly along the north-

easterly side line of DeKalb Avenue, the northeasterly side of said strip being co-incident with the southwesterly line of lands now owned by the City of Plainfield, and known as the Crematory Property:

AND WHEREAS, in the judgment of this Council said strip should be acquired by the City for use in connection with said land now owned by it:

AND WHEREAS, said Hand offers to convey said strip to the City by proper deed executed by himself and his wife in consideration of $150.00, which in the judgment of this Council is a fair price therefor:

RESOLVED, That said offer be and is hereby accepted and that warrant for $150.00 be drawn, payable to "the order of Charles H. Hand or John H. VanWinkle & Son, his Attorneys," and delivered in exchange for such deed, after the title is approved by the Corporation Counsel, which deed the City Clerk shall thereupon cuase to be duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Union County.

Reported all bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

Moved when we adjourn we adjourn to meet Monday May 26th. So ordered.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HIGHT:

Reported back the following petitions for permission to install gasoline tanks, and moved they be granted, each of which was granted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan:

Grant petition to Leroy Gates, Central Auto Supply Co. to install gasoline tanks.

L. H. Gates, 2-barrel tank in yard at #810 Central Avenue.
Frederick L. Steffen, 1012 East Second Street, 500 gallon tank
Central Auto Supply Co., 500 Gal. tank at 130 Central Ave.
Plainfield Cab Co. 500 gallon tank at #207 North Avenue

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

No report.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

Refuse application A. Macchia for Junkman's License

Reported back application of Antonio Macchia for Junkman's License and moved application be refused. So ordered upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative.

Refuse application T. Mastramio Junkman's License

Reported back application of Tomichilo Mastramio, Hunter Avenue, Scotch Plains, and moved same be refused. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

LAWS & ORDINANCE BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Report re annoyance caused by Ponds whistle also trains blowing whistle from Grant Ave to Clinton Ave.

Councilman Hight called attention to the annoying whistle used in the Pond Works, and stated that the residents on West Front Street, Compton Avenue, Myrtle Avenue and Mariner's Place are annoyed both day and night by this screaching whistle, and that it is getting to the point where it is really a nuisance.

Councilman Force corroborated Mr. Hight's remarks respecting the Pond Works Whistle, that it is certainly very annoying.

Councilman Hight moved that the matter be referred to the Public Affairs Committee for action. So ordered.

Councilman Force called attention to the fact that frequently the Central R. R. trains going west, will start blowing their whistle at about Grant Avenue and continue almost until they reach Clinton Avenue.

Councilman Force moved that the matter be called to the attention of the district superintendent by the Public Affairs Committee, and report back to the Council. So ordered.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Reported all claims presented as correct, and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

Pay Claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the General pay roll for the 1st half of May, 1919, amounting to	531.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 1st half of May 1919, amounting to	193.75
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 1st half of May 1919, amounting to	120.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 1st half of May 1919, amounting to	62.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Inspector for the 1st half of May 1919, amounting to	45.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 1st half of May 1919, amounting to	1644.32
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Permanent Pavement Account for the 1st half of May 1919, amounting to	17.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 1st half of May 1919, amounting to	83.69
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 1st half of May 1919, amounting to	251.18
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 1st half of May 1919, amounting to	1123.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 1st half of May 1919, amounting to	1650.03
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the first half of May 1919, amounting to	137.66
	$ 5862.98

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Mc Donough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

On motion the meeting then adjourned to May 26th.

John J. Carroll

City Clerk.

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Monday Evening, May 26, 1919.

Adjourned regular meeting

Adjourned regular meeting of the Common Council, was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck. Absent, Councilmen Ackerman, Hight and McDonough.

Minutes of meeting held May 19th were read and approved.

Councilman Ackerman came in while minutes were being read.

The President appointed Councilman Sminck a Committee of one to escort Reverend Mr. Clarke to the platform.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Communication Bd. Recreation Commrs re City Park to be used as playground

Communication was received from the Board of Recreation Commissioners, submitting copy of resolution adopted by the said Commissioners May 19th, requesting authority to use the City Park as a central playground. Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Petition August Hutt cancellation sewer assessment

Petition from August Hutt for cancellation of sewer assessment on property described on said assessment map as 1845--1857, amounting to $204.00 was presented, read and referred to the Committee on Streets and Sewers.

Communication J. B. Lane condition street at cor. Netherwood Ave. and E. 2nd St.

Communication from J. B. Lane calling attention to the condition of the street at the corner of Netherwood Avenue and East Second Street during the last two heavy rains, and inquiring if something cannot be done to improve this condition, was presented, read and referred to the Committee on Streets.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:

Communication Mayor - Special Police

Communication was received from his honor, the Mayor appointing David G. Atwood a special policeman. Referred to the Police Committee.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

Offered the following resolution to borrow $2000 for sewer extension purposes:

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Resolution borrow $2,000 Sewer Extension

RESOLVED, That Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000.00) be borrowed for Sewer Extension Purposes in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments, and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Two Thousamd Dollars ($2,000.00).

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

STREETS & SEWERS BY CHAIRMAN CONDICT:

Offered the following resolution authorizing the Corporation Counsel to consent to having the assessment against the St. Mary's Cemetery Association set aside:

Resolution authorizing Corporation Counsel to set aside assessment against St. Mary's Catholic Church Cemetery Assn.

WHEREAS, certiorari was allowed returnable June 3rd 1919 to review assessment for benefits for sewers installed on St. Mary's Avenue against St. Mary's Catholic Church Cemetery Association, which assessment was confirmed February 17, 1919:

AND WHEREAS, it appears that the lands of said Cemetery are used exclusively for burial purposes, and that there is no dwelling house or other building thereon except a shed used for storing tools, and the Corporation Counsel advises that the cemetery lands are not legally liable to said assessment and that the certiorari proceedings must result in setting the same aside.

RESOLVED, that said Corporation Counsel be and is hereby authorized to consent to an order by the court setting said assessment aside.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

File bids for street paving

Reported back for filing the bids received May 19th for street paving and moved they be filed. So ordered.

Offered the following resolution approving acceptance of surety of the Globe Indemnity Co. on bond of Jos. F. Burke Co.:

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Resolution accepting Globe Indemnity Co. as surety on bond of Jos. F. Burke

WHEREAS, the Globe Indemnity Company of New York is not included among surety companies heretofore by resolution of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, approved as acceptable surety on bonds to be furnished to said City by contractors to whom contracts may be awarded by it, but is now offered by the Jos. F. Burke Co., as surety on such a bond to be furnished by said last named company if contract is awarded to it by said City for concrete paving pursuant to the proposal of said Burke Company dated May 19, 1919:

AND WHEREAS, the United States Treasury Department in a recent circular issued by it certified that said Globe Indemnity Company had a capital of $750,000.00, a surplus and undivided profit of $532,250.56, is acceptable to said Treasury Department as surety on any one bond not exceeding $128,225.05, is licensed to do business in New Jersey and has an agent therein upon whom service of process can be had if suit on such bond is necessary, and said Globe Indemnity Company is otherwise recommended as financially responsible and substantial:

RESOLVED, That said Globe Indemnity Co., of New York, be and the same is hereby approved as acceptable surety on any bond which may be furnished to the Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield by said Jos. F. Burke Co., pursuant to the proposal aforesaid of the last named Company dated May 19, 1919.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution awarding to Jos. F. Burke Co. contract for concrete paving:

Resolution awarding contract for concrete paving to Jos. F. Burke.

WHEREAS, Joseph F. Burke Co., of the City of Plainfield, County of Union, and State of New Jersey, is the lowest responsible bidder for doing the work and furnishing the materials to construct and complete concrete paving improvements upon certain streets and portions of streets in accordance with the plans and specifications theretofor adopted by this Common Council April 29, 1919 and filed in the office of the City Clerk on that date and which bid was received by this Council on May 19, 1919 together with other bids in response to legal advertisement therefor, as by the minutes of this Council will more fully appear.

RESOLVED, That said bid of said Joseph F. Burke Co., which bid in the opinion of the Common Council is the most advantageous for the City, be and is hereby accepted, conditional upon said bidder signing, sealing and delivering the contract in the form referred to in said specifications and notice for advertisement, and tendering within ten (10) days from this date its bond duly executed in accordance therewith, with the Globe Indemnity Company, of New York, as surety.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That upon said contract and bond being duly executed as aforesaid and being tendered within the time aforesaid, the Mayor and City Clerk be, and they hereby are, authorized to sign and seal the said contract on behalf of the City.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution awarding contract to the Newark Paving Company for brick paving:

Resolution award contract to Newark Paving Co. for brick paving.

WHEREAS, Newark Paving Company, of the City of Newark, County of Essex, and State of New Jersey, is the lowest responsible bidder for doing the work and furnishing the materials to construct and complete vitrified brick paving improvements upon certain streets and portions of streets in accordance with the plans and specifications theretofor adopted by this Common Council April 29, 1919 and filed in the office of the City Clerk on that date and which bid was received by this Council on May 19, 1919 together with other bids in response to legal advertisement therefor, as by the minutes of this Council will more fully appear,

RESOLVED, That said bid of said Newark Paving Company, which bid in the opinion of the Common Council is the most advantageous for the City, be and is hereby accepted, conditional upon said bidder signing, sealing and delivering the contract in the form referred to in said specifications and notice for advertisement and tendering within ten (10) days from this date its bond duly executed in accordance therewith, with the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, of Baltimore, as surety.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That upon said contract

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and bond being duly executed as aforesaid and being tendered within the time aforesaid, the Mayor and City Clerk be, and they hereby are, authorized to sign and seal the said contract on behalf of the City.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution for disposition of certified checks submitted with bids received May 19th:

Resolution return certified checks deposited by bidders

RESOLVED, That the checks deposited by the unsuccessful bidders for vitrified brick paving and for concrete paving, or either or both, received with bids opened May 19, 1919, be returned to the respective bidders without delay, and that the checks deposited by the successful bidders, Jos. F. Burke Co. and The Newark Paving Co., respectively, be returned to each such bidder when bond and contract is fully executed and accepted.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following preliminary report on street widening in the business section of the City, which report was read and ordered filed:

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Preliminary Report on Street Widening in Business District

Preliminary report Chairman Street Committee on Street Widening in business section

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, N. J.

On April 21st, Common Council referred to the Street Committee the Special Message of his Honor the Mayor on the proposed War Memorial to which was attached the Report of the Mayor's War Memorial Advisory Committee, dated April 16th.

Consideration of these reports was at once taken up by the Committee and several meetings held at which most of the members of Council, the Mayor and Corporation Counsel were present and took part in the discussions. A combined meeting of Council and the War Memorial Advisory Committee was also held.

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As the above reports suggested that there might be a fitting location for the War Memorial determined on in connection with the proposed widening of Park Ave. the two projects were considered together the principal objects to be attained being 1st, the elimination as far as possible of congestion in the main business thoroughfares of the city; 2nd, adequate provision for the parking of vehicles and 3rd, the location of a suitable site for the Memorial.

The Members of Council have approached these matters with a full realization of the fact that the present is the time to provide not only for the existing needs of the city but to suggest a comprehensive plan which will develope as occasion requires into a system of thoroughfares which will utilize to the greatest extent the area now lying within the business district and at the same time permit of natural and efficient growth without the necessity of extending out into other sections. If proper facilities for transportation and easy access are provided the area included within Watchung Ave. and Central Ave. lying between the Railroad and Green Brook will supply an abundance of choice sites for business enterprise for several years to come.

While keenly appreciative of the importance of providing for future expansion Council is also fully cognizant of the necessity of securing the desired objectives at as low a cost as possible to the city and to the property holders most effected and also with the least disturbance to existing thoroughfares and substantial business structures.

The most important projects considered have been 1st, the widening of Park Ave. between Front and Second Streets; 2nd, the cutting through of a street from Front Street to North Ave.; 3rd, the widening of Exchange Alley; 4th, the widening of Somerset St. from Front St. to the Brook; 5th, the location of a site for a War Memorial in one of the widened streets or in a park in the vicinity of the City Hall or the business district.

Numerous maps and sketches were drawn up and exhaustively considered and it is now believed that a public statement should be given of the tentative conclusions arrived at up to the present by Members of Council.

Owing to the cost of securing a site of sufficient area and suitable surroundings for the War Memorial in the business district it is deemed advisable that a site should be secured elsewhere and Council will report on their suggestions for this location

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at a later date.

It is believed that first consideration should be given to a new street extending through approximately the center of the two blocks from Front St. to North Ave. between Park and Watchung Avenues, of ample width for traffic and vehicle parking, which would furnish attractive frontage for business enterprise in a desirable locality which is now comparatively of little value on account of inaccessibility.

Of equal importance is the widening of Park Ave. which should immediately follow the opening of the new street. Numerous suggestions for this improvement were considered which covered a minimum increase of ten feet in the present width of the street up to a mixiumum increase which included the entire block through to the west line of Pruden's Alley. The plan of removing the buildings along the west side of Park Ave. and including the area thus available in the street appeared to Members of Council to be the most feasible. This will provide a thoroughfare of 84 feet in width between building lines at Front St., and 94 feet at West 2nd St. By utilizing this space 15 feet could be given to each sidewalk, with a parking space 17 feet wide along each curb (allowing the parking at a 45 degree angle with the curb of fifty automobiles in the block) and leave a minimum width of 20 feet for through traffic in the center. On a street of these proportions it is believed that the frontage will prove nearly if not quite as valuable as that along Front Street.

With these two projects completed a vast improvement to traffic and building site conditions will result, which can be extended by ultimately turning Exchange Alley into a broad thoroughfare.

G. HERBERT CONDICT

Chairman, Committee on Streets.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY COUNCILMAN GRAVES:

No report.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Reported that at the last meeting the question of

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File correspondence from Ponds Works and C.R.R of N.J. in regard to whistles

noise from whistles of passing locomotives on the Central R. R., and whistles of the Pond Works of the Niles-Bement-Pond Co., had been referred to this Committee, and that he had communicated with the C.R.R. of N.J. and the Pond Works, and submitted their replies which were read, and on motion ordered filed.

Use of City Park as playground referred to Pub. Affairs Committee to be taken up with Shade Tree Commission.

The communication from the Recreation Commission respecting use of the City Park for a general playground was then considered. Councilman Sminck moved that the Public Affairs Committee take the matter up with the Shade Tree Commission, with power to take such action as in their judgment they deem best. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

POLICE BY COUNCILMAN HULL:

Reported back for filing the Mayor's appointment of David G. Atwood as special policeman, and offered the following resolution confirming the said appointment:

Special Police (Home Defense)

> RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of
>
> DAVID G. ATWOOD
>
> as a Special Policeman of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield to serve until January 1, 1920, without pay, and for such service as the Mayor or Board of Police may fix and determine; said person having agreed to accept such appointment.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

No report.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

No report.

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LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

No report.

File Supplemental Debt Statement of Treasurer.

The Clerk presented and read Supplemental Debt Statement of the Treasurer showing the net debt to be 4.1% of the average assessed valuation, as of May 26, 1919. The said Statement was ordered filed.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J Landell

City Clerk.

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Monday Evening, June 2, 1919.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck, being all the members of the Council.

Minutes of adjourned regular meeting held May 26th were read and approved.

Suspend Rules

Councilman Sminck moved regular order of business be suspended for the purpose of extending the privilege of the floor to Mr. Andrew E. Kenney who wished to present a matter to the Council. So ordered.

Mr. Kenney requested appropriation of $200 for cleaning out Green Brook

Mr. Kenney appeared on behalf of the Mayor and Council of North Plainfield with regard to the matter of the cleaning of Green Brook, and asked if the City of Plainfield would be willing to contribute the sum of $200 if the Borough of North Plainfield would contribute the sum of $100 for this purpose, which sum Mr. Kenney stated it had been considered would be sufficient to make it fairly presentable, taking in the lower part of Tier's pond to a short distance below Washington Avenue.

Councilman Sminck moved Council return to regular order of business. So ordered

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Petition John R. Cline install gasoline tank

Petition from John R. Cline for permission to install a 500 gallon gasoline tank in front of property #138 East Second Street. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:

File report Engr. in charge of Sewers.

Report of the Engineer in Charge of Sewers, of sewer permits granted during the month of May (31), was read and ordered filed.

File report Treasurer, Overseer of Poor, Bldg. Insp. City Clerk

Report of the Treasurer, of the Overseer of the Poor, of the Inspector of Buildings, and of the City Clerk, for the month of May, were each read and on motion ordered filed.

File Supplemental Debt Statement

Supplemental debt statement of the Treasurer, showing the average net debt as of June 2nd, to be 4.1%, was read and on motion ordered filed.

Report Research & Advisory Comm.

Report of the Research and Advisory Commission, dated May 31, 1919, respecting Public Parks, was presented, read and referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

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REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

CITY HALL BUILDING BY COUNCILMAN HYLAN:

File report City Hall Bldg. Committee

Presented the following report which was read and ordered filed:

To the Honorable Common Council
of the City of Plainfield.

Gentlemen:-

The City Hall Building Committee recommends the payment of $349.80 to Den. J. Galbraith as per Architect's Certificate No. 106, being final payment for work done by said Den. J. Galbraith in connection with the construction of the New Municipal Building under the terms of his contract with the City dated September 22, 1916.

The Committee further recommends the expenditure of $14.00, being an additional payment to F. Storsberg for an extra electric light fixture installed in the Department of the Overseer of the Poor in the New Municipal Building.

The Committee further recommends the payment of $14.00 to F. Storsberg Company as per Architect's Certificate No. 108, the same being amount due said F. Storsberg Company for extra electric light fixture installed in the Department of the Overseer of the Poor in the New Municipal Building.

The Committee further recommends the expenditure of $55.00 to the Lightning Company for painting the designations over the doors of the various departments in the New Municipal Building.

The Committee further recommends the payment of $55.00 to the Lightning Company as per Architect's Certificate No. 109, the same being amount due said Lightning Company for painting the designations over the doors of the various departments in the New Municipal Building.

The Committee further recommends the expenditure of $495.42 to W. H. Forristel for furnishing plants and supplying labor in connection with improvements of the grounds of the New Municipal Building.

The Committee further recommends the payment of $495.42 to W. H. Forristel, the same being the amount due said W. H. Forristel for furnishing plants and supplying labor in connection with improvements of the grounds of the New Municipal Building.

The Committee further recommends the expenditure of $312.28 to John S. Dahl to cover cost of materials furnished and labor supplied by the said John S. Dahl in connection with the construction of the New Municipal Building.

The Committee further recommends the payment of $312.28 to John S. Dahl on account of amount due

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said John S. Dahl for materials furnished and labor supplied in connection with the construction of the New Municipal Building.

CITY HALL BUILDING COMMITTEE
By Leighton Calkins
Mayor and Chairman

Dated-May 29, 1919.

Offered the following resolution to pay claims referred to in the foregoing report:

Resolution Pay claims City Hall Bldg.

RESOLVED, That the payment of $349.80 to Den J. Galbraith as per Architect's Certificate No. 106 being final payment due said Den. J. Galbraith for work done by him in connection with the construction of the New Municipal Building under the terms of his contract with the City dated September 22, 1916 be, and the same hereby is, ratified and approved.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the expenditure of $14.00 being an additional payment to F. Storsberg Company for an extra electric light fixture installed in the Department of the Overseer of the Poor in the New Municipal Building be, and the same hereby is, ratified and approved.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the payment of $14.00 to F. Storsberg Company as per Architect's Certificate No. 108 being the amount due said F. Storsberg Company for extra electric light fixture installed in the Department of the Overseer of the Poor in the New Municipal Building be, and the same hereby is, ratified and approved.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the expenditure of $55.00 to the Lightning Company for painting the designations over the doors of the various departments in the New Municipal Building be, and the same hereby is, ratified and approved.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the payment of $55.00 to the Lightning Company as per Architect's Certificate No. 109, being the amount due said Lightning Company for painting the designations over the doors of the various Departments in the New Municipal Building be, and the same hereby is, ratified and approved.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the expenditure of $495.42 to W. H. Forristel for furnishing plants and supplying labor in connection with the improvements of the grounds of the New Municipal Building be, and the same hereby is, ratified and approved.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the payment of $495.42 to W. H. Forristel, the same being the amount due W. H. Forristel for furnishing plants andsupplying the labor in connection with the improvements on the grounds of the New Municipal Building be, and the same hereby is, ratified and approved.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the expenditure of $312.28 to John S. Dahl to cover cost of materials furnished and labor supplied by the said John S. Dahl in connection with the construction of the New Municipal Building be, and the same hereby is, ratified and approved.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the payment of $312.28 to John S. Dahl on account of amount due said John S. Dahl for materials furnished and labor supplied in connection with the construction of the New Municipal Building be, and the same hereby is, ratified and approved.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynar and Sminck and President Hylan.

Presented the following report which was read and ordered filed:

Report City Hall Bldg. Committee

To the Honorable, the Common Council
of the City of Plainfield, N. J.

Gentlemen:-

The City Hall Building Committee recommends that Fifteen Hundred Dollars ($1500.00) be borrowed for City Hall Building Account in order to provide funds to meet current obligations.

CITY HALL BUILDING COMMITTEE

By Leighton Calkins
Mayor and Chairman

Dated-June 2, 1919.

Resolution borrow $1500. City Hall purposes.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $1500:

RESOLVED, That the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars ($1500.00) be borrowed for use in the construction of the New Municipal Building in anticipation of the sale of bonds and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute in the name of the City note or notes in said aggregate amount of Fifteen Hundred Dollars ($1500.00) payable on demand.

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This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

Offered the following resolution to borrow $1500 for sewer extension account:

Resolution Borrow $1500 Sewer Extension

RESOLVED, That Fifteen Hundred Dollars ($1500.00) be borrowed for Sewer Extension Purposes in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments, and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City a demand note for the said sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars ($1500.00).

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to transfer certain cash balances on the books of the City National Bank to the Reserve Surplus Account:

Transfer certain cash balances to Reserve Surplus Acct.

WHEREAS, There appears some old cash balances amounting to $202.28 to the credit of the City Treasurer upon the books of the City National Bank which have been there for a number of years, and

WHEREAS, The transactions resulting in these balances could not be located and a reserve was set up in 1918 to provide for any future claim that might be made against these balances, and

WHEREAS, no claim has been made against the said balances,

BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Treasurer be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to transfer the said amount of $202.28 to the Reserve Surplus Account of the City in accordance with the recommendation of the Auditors as set out at Page 4 of their report dated February 5, 1919.

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This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Aakerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard, McDonough and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY CHAIRMAN CONDICT:

Reported back Map of property of Samuel T. Shaw and Julia E. Ford, and offered the following resolution approving said map for filing:

Resolution approving map of property of Samuel T. Shaw and Julia E. Ford.

WHEREAS, Samuel T. Shaw and Julia E. Ford filed in duplicate with the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, the same being the governing body for control of the streets and highways of said City, a certain map of plots of land lying wholly within the said City of Plainfield, entitled "Map of Property Belonging to Samuel T. Shaw and Julia E. Ford, City of Plainfield, N. J., December 1912", which map shows certain property owned by the said Samuel T. Shaw and Julia E. Ford fronting on the following Streets: Monroe Avenue, Stanley Place, Lexington Place, Clinton Avenue, West Sixth Street, West Fifth Street and West Fourth Street.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, that the layout of the property shown on map above referred to be, and the same hereby is, approved to the end that the said map be accepted for filing by the Register of Deeds of the County of Union; provided, however, that this approval of said map shall in no wise be construed as an acceptance of any lot, street or highway indicated thereon, nor shall such approval in any way obligate the State of New Jersey, or Union County, or the City of Plainfield to maintain or exercise jurisdiction in said streets, lots, or highways, or any or either of them.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HIGHT:

Grant petition Goodwin Motor Co. install gasoline tank

Reported back for filing petition of the Goodwin Motor Co. for permission to install gasoline tank on Wes

222-224 Second Street, and moved same be granted. So ordered.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Committee report progress re City Park and as playground

Reported in connection with the communication received by the Council May 26th and referred to this Committee from the Board of Recreation Commission respecting the use of the City Park for a central playground, that the Committee had called a meeting which he attended but owing to lack of a quorum he could only report progress, whereupon the Council requested the Committee to look further into the matter and report at a later meeting.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Offered the following resolution appropriation the sum of $50.00 toward paying the expenses of the Overseer of the Poor to attend convention at Atlantic City of the Overseers of the Poor of this State:

Resolution appropriating $50 for expenses of Overseer in attending convention

RESOLVED, That the Alms Committee be, and they hereby are, authorized to expend Fifty Dollars ($50.00) for the purpose of paying the expenses of the Overseer of the Poor to attend the Convention of the Charity Organizations of the State of New Jersey, at Atlantic City June 2nd to 7th, 1919.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution authorizing expenditures for new roof and fire escapes on the Industrial Home:

Resolution authorizing expenditure for new roof and fire escapes Industrial Home

RESOLVED, That the Alms Committee be, and they hereby are, authorized to expend $235.00 for the purpose of putting a new roof on the Industrial Home and $316.00 for the purpose of installing fire escapes on the said Home.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman,

Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Councilman Sminck offered the following resolution favoring the defeat of the effort in Congress to repeal the Daylight Saving Law:

Resolution favoring defeat in Congress of Day Light Saving Law.

RESOLVED: That we, the Members of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, strongly urge our Representatives in Congress to use their utmost efforts to defeat the plan to repeal the Daylight Saving Law - a measure of wisdom which has been ofgreat value to the country; creating wealth through increased incentives to develop home gardens; improving health by greater opportunities for open air work and recreation; by conserving the natural resources of the nation by saving coal and power.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That copies of this resolution be promptly sent to Hon. E.R.Ackerman, representative in Congress from this district and to the Hon. Jos. S. Frelinghuysen and the Hon. Walter E. Edge, Senators in Congress from this State.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Resolution to be telegraphed to Congressman + Senators.

Councilman Condict reported that he understood from Congressman Ackerman that actionn was to be taken on this question on Wednesday of this week, and moved that the resolution be telegraphed to the Congressman and Senators at once. So ordered upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard andSminck and President Hylan.

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Councilman Sminck called attention to the report of the Research and Advisory Commission presented this evening and referred to the Public Affairs Committee, and expressed the hope that the Committee in their consideration of the same would give due regard to the possibility of flood waters in case Green Brook should be narrowed; and expressed the opinion that the business section of the City heretofore had escaped flood water because of the fact that the water in the section covered by Tier's pond had given the water opportunity to spread out and thus remain within its banks.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Reported all claims presented correct, and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Resolution Pay Claims and Salaries

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll for the 2nd half of May 1919 amounting to	531.83
Claims appearing on the Miscellaneous Appropriation Account dated June 2, 1919, amounting to	165963.60
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 2nd half of May 1919, amounting to	193.75
Claims appearing on the Tax Department Appropriation Account dated June 2, 1919, amounting to	144.95
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 2nd half of May 1919, amounting to	62.50
Claims appearing on the City Court Appropriation Account dated June 2, 1919, amounting to	24.15
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Inspector for the 2nd half of May 1919, amounting to	45.84
Claims appearing on the Building Inspector Appropriation Account dated June 2, 1919, amounting to	7.77
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 2nd half of May 1919, amounting to	120.83
Claims appearing on the District Court Appropriation Account dated June 2, 1919, amounting to	26.00
Claims appearing on the Street Lighting Appropriation Account dated June 2, 1919, amounting to	1684.13

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Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 2nd half of May 1919, amounting to	1894.99
Claims appearing on the Street Department Appropriation Account dated June 2, 1919, amounting to	3789.45
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the Sewer Department pay roll for the 2nd half of May 1919, amounting to	266.00
Claims appearing on the Sewer Department Appropriation Account dayed June 2, 1919, amounting to	293.45
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 2nd half of May 1919, amounting to	230.81
Claims appearing on the Shade Tree Commission Appropriation Account dated June 2, 1919, amounting to	8.50
Claims appearing on the Street Improvement 1919 Account dated June 2, 1919, amounting to	82.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Permanent Pavement Account for the 2nd half of May, 1919, amounting to	134.02
Claims appearing on the Permanent Pavement 1919 Account dated June 2, 1919, amounting to	1.35
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 2nd half of May 1919, amountingto	1237.27
Claims appearing on the Police Department Appropriation Account dated June 2, 1919, amounting to	439.65
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 2nd half of May 1919, amounting to	1650.96
Claims appearing on the Fire Department Appropriation Account dated June 2, 1919, amounting to	960.61
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 2nd half of May 1919, amounting to	135.42
Claims appearing on the Poor Department Appropriation Account dated June 2, 1919 amounting to	785.35
Total - - -	180715.18

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

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Street Committee invite whole Council to meet with committee from Society of Friends re Third St. widening

President Hylan announced that the Street Committee, thru him, requested that the whole Council meet at the corner of Third Street and Watchung Avenue, at about seven (7) o'cloc Wednesday, June 4, 1919, with the view of meeting a committee from the Religious Society of Friends with regard to what property they may be willing to donate to the City in order to widen Third Street at this point.

Appoint Committee to confer with property holders + business men

The Chairman stated that he had been in touch with several business men relative to space between the rear of Front Street buildings and Green Brook Watchung Avenue to Somerset Street, and appointed as a committee Councilman Force Maynard and Lovell to take this matter up with the Corporation Counsel, and then with the property holders, and the business men, and to report to the Common Council what we can do, with the approximate cost; which committee was requested to report as soon as possible.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J. Carroll

City Clerk.

Monday Evening, June 16, 1919.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck. Absent, Councilmen Lovell and McDonough.

Minutes of meeting held June 2nd were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Communication E.R. Ackerman re. Daylight Saving Law

Communication of June 4th from Hon. Ernest R. Ackerman, acknowledging receipt of copy of resolution adopted by this Council June 2nd protesting against the repeal of the Daylight Saving Law, and recommending that friends of the Daylight Saving Law should communicate with Hon. John J. Esch, Chairman of the Committee on Interstate Commerce, which Committee is conducting hearings on a bill that would bring the repeal back to the House as a separate measure, was presented, read and ordered filed.

Resignation Wm A. Kline as Page to Council

Resignation of Wm. A. Kline as page to the Council, to take effect June 16th, was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Petition Henry Jackson install tank

Petition from Henry Jackson for permit to install a 500 gallon gasoline tank in front of property #749 West Front Street. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Petition Arch Moore install tank

Petition from Arch Moore for permit to install a 500 gallon gasoline tank in front of premises #1520 West Front Street. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Comm. Jos. D. Holmes re income tax residents of N. J. doing work in N. Y.

Communication of June 9th from Joseph D. Holmes respecting law passed by the State of New York imposing an income tax on residents of this State doing business in New York, and requested this City to take the subject into consideration and join in whatever action may be taken by the Attorney General. Referred to the Laws & Ordinances Committee.

File contract Bond Newark Paving Co.

Presented Contract and Bond for paving work, dated May 19, 1919, between the City and the Newark Paving Company, duly executed, and approved as to form by the Corporation Counsel, which contract was ordered filed.

Presented Contract and Bond for paving work, dated May 19, 1919, between the City and Joseph F. Burke Company, duly executed, and approved as to form by the Corporation

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File contract & bond Jos. F. Burke Co.

Counsel, which contract was ordered filed.

Comm. Borough of Fanwood - conduct with sewer system

Communication was read from the Borough of Fanwood with regard to their connecting with the Plainfield collecting sewer system. The said communication with the map therein referred to were referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition Star Tire Exchange install gasoline tank

Petition Star Tire Exchange for permit to install a gasoline tank in front of No. 138 North Avenue. Referred to the Fire and Buildings Committee.

Suspend rules to receive bids

Councilman Condict moved regular order of business be suspended for the purpose of receiving bids for construction of concrete sidewalks and curbs, as advertised. So ordered.

Affidavit of publication

The Clerk presented affidavit of publication of advertisement calling for bids, which was ordered filed.

The President stated that the hour had arrived to receive bids for construction of concrete sidewalks and curbs, as advertised, and that if there were any persons present desirous of submitting bids, they should deposit such bids on the clerk's desk; stating that no bids would be received after the clerk commended to open the bids.

Bids construction sidewalks and curbs.

The clerk reported two bids received.

After ample opportunity had been given, no one else submitting bids, the President appointed Councilmen Graves and Hull to assist the clerk in opening the bids received, which are as follows:

Bids

Wilson Concrete Company

Concrete sidewalks, four (4) inches thick, per square foot, complete	$ .25
Concrete sidewalks, five (5) inches thick, per square foot, complete	.28
Six (6) inch by twenty (20) inch concrete curbs, per linear foot	.75
Excavation above finished grade per cubic yard	.50

Alfred S. DeNise

Concrete sidewalks, four (4) inches thick, per square foot, complete	$ .30
Concrete sidewalks, five (5) inches thick, per square foot, complete	.35
Six (6) inch by twenty (20) inch concrete curbs, per linear foot	.85
Excavation above finished grade per cubic yard	.50

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On motion the foregoing bids were referred to the Street Committee.

Councilman Condict moved Council return to regular order of business. So ordered.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:

Comm. Mayor Special Message No. 20.

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, being his Special Message No. 20, regarding bonuses, which was read and referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee and Police Committee.

Member Bd. of Health

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, nominating Geo. L. Babcock as a member of the Board of Health to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of E. T. Barrows. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Comm. Mayor transmitting letter from Adjutant General

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, transmitting communication from the Adjutant General's office regarding memorial tablets, made from metal from the wrecked battleship Maine. Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Regular Fireman

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, nominating Wm. John Kelly as a regular member of the Fire Department. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Annual Report Library

Annual report of the Board of Directors of the Plainfield Public Library and Reading Room, for the year ending May 31, 1919, was presented, read and ordered filed.

Report Clerk of District Court

Report of the clerk of the District Court for the month of May was presented, read and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

CITY HALL BUILDING BY COUNCILMAN ACKERMAN;

No report.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Ordinance authorizing One Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars School Bonds

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

Introduced an ordinace entitled, "An Ordinance authorizing One Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars School Bonds

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of the City of Plainfield," which was read.

Offered the following resolution to advertise for a public hearing on the foregoing ordinance to be held July 7th:

Resolution Public Hearing on ordinance School Bonds

RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to give notice by publication in the form provided by law that the Common Council will on Monday July 7, 1919, at 8:30 P. M. at the Council Chambers in the City Hall, consider the final passage of an ordinance entitled: "An Ordinance authorizing One Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars School Bonds of the City of Plainfield".

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported back for filing Mayor's nomination of George L. Babcock as a member of the Board of Health and offered the following resolution confirming the said nomination:

Board of Health Geo L. Babcock

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

GEORGE L. BABCOCK

as a member of the Board of Health of the City of Plainfield to serve until January 1, 1921, being the unexpired portion of the term of Elliot T. Barrows, resigned.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY CHAIRMAN CONDICT:

File Bonds furnished by Newark Paving Co.

Offered the following resolution to approve and order filed bond furnished by the Newark Paving Company:

RESOLVED, that the bond submitted by Newark Paving Company for the faithful performance of its contract dated May 29, 1919, and ordered filed this date, with United States Fidelity and

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Guaranty Company as surety, be and is hereby approved.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to approve and order filed bond furnished by Jos. F. Burke Company:

File bond furnished by Jos. F. Burke Co.

RESOLVED, that the bond submitted by Jos. F. Burke Company for the faithful performance of its contract dated May 29, 1919 and ordered filed this date, with the Globe Indemnity Company as surety, be and is hereby approved and ordered filed.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution authorizing use of Shawmut Brick by the Newark Paving Company:

Resolution authorizing use of Shawmut brick

WHEREAS, this Council did on May 26, 1919, award to the Newark Paving Company a contract to pave certain streets in the City of Plainfield with brick

BE IT RESOLVED, that the said Newark Paving Company be, and it is hereby, authorized and directed to use in doing such paving a certain brick known as Shawmut Brick manufactured by the Shawmut Vitrified Paving Brick Works.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HIGHT:

Reported back for filing following correspondence:

File correspondence Fire Committee

Letter March 15th to the Inspector of Buildings regarding vault lights, and his reply of March 27th

Letter of April 2nd from the City Clerk regarding hose with letter of April 1st from U. & G. Rubber Mfg.Co.

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Letter of June 11th from the City Clerk regarding phone calls from West Fourth Street Engine House.

Letter of May 7th from the City Clerk regarding Junk Yards, with copy of letter of May 21st referring the matter to the Inspector of Buildings.

Reported back for filing correspondence with the International Motor Co. which were referred by the City Clerk back to the Committee with his letter of April 30th.

Grant petition install tank

Reported back petition of Star Tire Exchange for permission to install gasoline tank at #138 North Avenue, and moved petition be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative.

Grant petition install tank

Reported back petition of Arch Moore for permit to install a gasoline tank at No. 1520 West Front Street, and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative.

Offered the following resolution referring to the Finance Committee matter of appropriation of $200 for cleaning Green Brook:

Resolution refer to Finance Committee request of $200

RESOLVED, That the matter of Two Hundred Dollars ($200) being the amount requested by Mr. Kenney of North Plainfield as Plainfield's share for keeping Green Brook clean be referred to the Finance Committee.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of Mr. Kelly as a regular fireman, and offered the following resolution confirming the nomination:

Regular Fireman

RESOLVED, That this Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

William John Kelly

as a Regular Member of the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

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PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Reported that the Committee recently met with the Board of Recreation Commissioners and went over with them the scope of their work at which time they practically withdrew their petition to use the City Park as a playground, and that they required an additional $500, and that the Committee were in favor of granting them this additional amount if it could be secured, and offered the following resolution to refer the matter to the Finance Committee:

Finance Committee ascertain if $500 additional can be appropriated to Recreation Commission

RESOLVED, That the Finance Committee be requested to ascertain whether or not the sum of Five Hundred Dollars ($500) is available out of any funds appropriated in the budget of 1919, which might be given to the Board of Recreation Commissioners for expenditure in addition to the amount heretofore provided for that purpose for the current year.

This resolution was adoptedupon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

File com. from mayor re tablets

Reported back for filing communication from the Mayor regarding tablets made from the battleship Maine, and moved that the City Clerk communicate with the proper authority and secure application with the view of purchasing one of these Tablets. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

POLICE BY COUNCILMAN HULL:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY COUNCILMAN FORCE:

No report.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Sminck offered the following resolution regarding removal of obstruction in Cedar Brook:

Resolution removing obstruction in Cedar Brook

WHEREAS: the condition of the culvert on private property at Cedar Brook and Emerson Avenue threatens extensive floods, damaging the streets of the City as well as the homes of the people in the vicinity;

BE IT RESOLVED: that the owner of the premises in question be instructed to forthwith remove the obstructions.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Councilman Hight, for the Fire & Buildings Committee, reported back for filing the Mayor's Special Message No.20 and offered the following resolution regarding bonuses to Firemen and Policemen:

Resolution granting bonuses to Policemen and Firemen

WHEREAS conditions recited in the preamble of Chapter 4, Laws of 1919 will continue to exist without apparent prospect of material change during the remainder of the current calendar year, by reason whereof in the judgment of this Common Council it is necessary and proper that some at least temporary increase in the income of the City employees herein below mentioned should be granted and paid by the City.

RESOLVED that under and pursuant to the provisions of said Chapter 4, 1919 payment by way of bonus in addition to regular salary, be and is hereby ordered made during the calendar and fiscal year 1919 as follows:

To each person other than a chief of Department who was a regular member of the Fire or Police Department of the City of Plainfield on January 1, 1919 and is such a member on July 1, 1919 (including returning soldiers, sailors or others who have been absent with leave from such department in the Military or Naval service of the United States) there shall be paid asof July 1, 1919, $100 as bonus, and if he continues as such member of such department until December 1, 1919 he shall be paid as of that date, an additional sum of $50.00 as bonus.

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To each person who is a regular member of either of said departments on July 1, 1919, and who has become such regular member since January 1, 1919, there shall be paid as bonus as of July 1, 1919, such part of the sum of $100.00 as may be proportionate to the length of his service in said department between January 1, and July 1, 1919, and if he continues as such member until December 1, 1919 he shall be paid as bonus as of that date an additional $50.00.

To each person who becomes a regular member of either of said Departments after July 1, 1919, and reamins such member until December 1, 1919, there shall be paid as bonus as of December 1, 1919 such part of the sum of $50.00 as may be proportionate to the length of his service in said department between July 1, and December 1, 1919.

RESOLVED that warrants be drawn accordingly.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Councilmen Condict moved Council take a recess for ten minutes to allow the Street Committee to consider bids for sidewalks and curbs. So ordered.

The Council subsequently came to order, present President Hylan and Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck.

Councilman Condict reported back for filing bids of Wilson Concrete Company and Alfred S. DeNise and offered the following resolution awarding contract to the Wilson Concrete Company:

Resolution accept bid of Wilson Concrete Co.

WHEREAS, The Wilson Concrete Company is the lowest responsible bidder for doing the work and furnishing the materials for the construction of concrete sidewalks and concrete curbs during 1919 where directed by the Committee on Streets;

RESOLVED, that the bid of said Wilsnn Concrete Company, which bid in the opinion of the Common Council is the most advantageous for the City be, and the same is hereby accepted, conditional upon said bidder signing, sealing and delivering contract and furnishing bond in such form and amount and with such surety as the Council may approve.

This resolution was adopted upon a call

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of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Authorize City Hall to be decorated

Councilman Ackerman called attention to the matter of decorating the City Hall for Thursday. Councilman Hight moved that the City Clerk be and is hereby authorized to go ahead and decorate the City Hall. So ordered.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Reported all claims presented correct, and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

Resolution Pay claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on thepay roll for the first half of June 1919 amounting to	531.84
Claims appearing on the Miscellaneous Appropriation Account dated June 16, 1919 amounting to	109,135.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the first half of June, 1919, amounting to	193.75
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the first half of June, 1919, amounting to	62.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Inspector for the first half of June, 1919, amounting to	45.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the first half of June, 1919, amounting to	120.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the first half of June, 1919, amounting to	2,020.26
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the first half of June, 1919, amounting to	244.25
Salaries and wages of persons appearing o on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the first half of June, 1919, amounting to	92.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Permanent Pavement Account for the first half of June, 1919, amounting to	173.72

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Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the PoliceDepartment for the first half of June, 1919, amounting to	1,109.73
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the first half of June, 1919, amounting to	1,651.95
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the first hald of June, 1919, amounting to	135.42
	$115,517.09

This resolution was adopted upon a callof the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J. Carroll

City Clerk.

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Monday Evening, July 7, 1919.

Regular meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck, being all the members of the Council.

Minutes of regular meeting held June 16th were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Application Junk Licens

Application of John Haskard for Junkman's license, was presented and referred to the License Committee.

Petition Godfred Herold returne of fee

Petition from Godfred Herold for return of portion of license fee, as he had decided to surrender his license heretofore granted for sale of liquors at #142-144 East Front Street. Referred to the License Committee.

Petition J. F. MacDonald new street

Petition from J. Fred MacDonald against the opening of a new street from North Avenue to East Front Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition John T. Bolsterle

Petition from John T. Bolsterle and others to have terminated the noise caused by a compressed air riveting machine at night in the works of the American Motors Corporation. Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Petition Albert Pittis

Petition from Albert Pittis and others against the opening of a new street from North Avenue to East Front Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

File Insurance Policy

Insurance Policy, Aetna Ins. Co. No. 9568, for $1500 covering Water Wagons, Oil Wagon, etc., for one year from June 19, 1919, was presented and ordered filed.

Communication Durlach Bro. widening Watchung Avenue.

Communication of June 16th from Durlach Brothers 181 Water Street, New York City, representing owners of the property northwest corner of Watchung Avenue and Front Street, protesting against the widening of Watchung Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

File statements Joint Meeting

Two statements of the Joint Meeting dated June 24th, 1919 were presented, read and ordered filed.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:

Communication was received from hisHonor, the Mayor that the Board of Police recommends payment of $158.65 to

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Communication Mayor payment salary to Patrolman Brower.

Patrolman Harry Brower covering salary during absence on account of illness from May 2nd to June 15th. Referred to the Police Committee.

Communication-Mayor Special Message No. 21.

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, being his Special Message No. 21, recommending certain salary increases, and submitting draft of ordinancescovering the same. Referred to the Police Committee.

Communication Mayor bonus payments.

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, submitting form of resolutions for payment of bonuses to special policemen. Referred to the Police Committee.

Communication Mayor Directors Library

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, nominating Alexander Gilbert, Wm. M. Stillman and Francis K. Anderson as members of the Board of Directors of the Public Library. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Communication Corporation Counsel - St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery Association

Communication of June 27th was received from the Corporation Counsel advising that he had delivered to the Collector certified copy of order by the Supreme Court setting aside sewer assessment against St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery Association. Ordered received and filed.

Semi-annual report Building Inspector

Semi-annual report of the Inspector of Buildings was presented, showing that there have been 117 permits granted for dwellings, additions, alterations, etc., during the past six months, being seven more permits than were granted during the year 1918; the estimated value of the buildings covered by these permits being $252,656.00. Ordered received and filed.

Reports filed Bldg Insp; Collector, Treasurer, City Clerk

Report of the Inspector of Buildings, of the Collector, of the Treasurer, and of the City Clerk, for the month of June, were each read and ordered filed.

Report filed for May Collector

Report of the Collector for the month of May was read and ordered filed.

File report Engr. Chg. Sewers.

Report of the Engineer in Charge of Sewers, of sewer permits granted from May 28th to July 1st, (33) was read and ordered filed.

File Supplemental debt statement

Supplemental debt statement of the Treasurer, showing the percentage the net debt bears to the average assessed valuation, as of July 7th, to be 4.6%, was read and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

CITY HALL BUILDING BY COUNCILMAN ACKERMAN:

Offered the following resolution to install telephone in the office of the Clerk of the District Court:

Resolution Install Telephone Office of District Court

WHEREAS a telephone is required in the District Court in the Municipal Building, and

WHEREAS the N. Y. Telephone Co. now furnishes a free telephone in the library in the Municipal Building,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Telephone Company be and is hereby requested to move same premises at a charge of $3.00 the telephone now located in the library to the District Court, changing the number and listing the station.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Telephone Company be and is hereby requested to install a new telephone at the regular rates in the library and at the standard service connection charge made for such installations, and

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be and is hereby empowered to sign the Telephone Company's orders for such changes.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all members voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Vote of thanks to City Clerk

Moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the City Clerk for the tasteful way in which he had the City Hall decorated at the time of the reception given the returned soldiers. Motion was duly seconded and unanimously adopted.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

2nd reading Ordinance $140,000 School Bonds

Called up on second reading an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance authorizing One Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars School Bonds of the City of Plainfield", which was read, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS SCHOOL BONDS OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the City School District of Plainfield, New Jersey, has decided that it isnecessary to raise money for the purpose of erecting, enlarging and furnishing an addition to Emerson School, a school house for graded school

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purposes in said School District, and has prepared and delivered to each member of the board of school estimate of said School District a statement of the amount of money estimated to be necessary for such purpose; and

WHEREAS, said board of school estimate has fixed and determined the amount necessary for such purpose to be the sum of one hundred and forty thousand dollars ($140,000) and has made two certificates of such amount and has delivered one of said certificates to said board of education and the other to the Common Council of the City of Plainfield; NOW, THEREFORE,

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield by their Common Council do ordain as follows:-

Section 1. That the sum of One Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars ($140,000) be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of erecting, enlarging and furnishing an addition to Emerson School, a school house for graded school purposes in the City School District of Plainfield, New Jersey.

Sec. 2. The sum of One Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars ($140,000) shall be borrowed and the repayment of said sum, together with interest thereon, shall be secured by the issuance of School Bonds of the City of Plainfield pursuant to the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey, entitled "An Act to establish a thorough and efficient system of free public schools, and to provide for the maintenance, support and management thereof", approved October 19, 1903, and the acts supplemental thereto and amendatory thereof.

Sec. 3. It is determined and declared that said bonds shall mature within a period not exceeding thirty years.

Sec. 4. Said bonds shall be issued in the aggregate principal amount of One Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars ($140,000) numbered from one to one hundred and forty, both inclusive, of the denomination of One Thousand Dollars each, and shall be dated August 15, 1919; $5,000 of said bonds shall mature on August 15, in each of the years 1921 to 1948, both inclusive. Said bonds shall bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on February 15 and August 15 in each year until maturity. Said bonds shall be signed by the Mayor and City Clerk andsealed with the corporate seal of said City. The coupons, if any, attached thereto shall be authenticated by the facsimile

signature of the City Treasurer, and said bonds and coupons shall be in such form as the Common Council may by resolution determine; and said bonds shall be sold at one time or in installments and at such time or times as the Common Council may by resolution determine.

Sec. 5. The City shall in its annual tax levy raise money sufficient to pay the interest and principal of such bonds as may mature during each year.

Ordinance adopted

Chairman Sminck moved the ordinance be adopted on second reading and final passage. So ordered upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $3,000 for City Hall Building Account:

Resolution borrow $3,000 City Hall Bldg.

RESOLVED, That the sum of Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000.00) be borrowed for the payment of interest on money borrowed for the construction of the New Municipal Building, and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute in the name of the City note in said aggregate amount of Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000.00) payable on demand.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $3,000 for sewer extension account:

Resolution Borrow $3,000 sewer extension acct.

RESOLVED, That Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000.00) be borrowed for Sewer Extension Purposes in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments, and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000.00).

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $5000 for permanent pavement account:

Resolution Borrow $5,000 Permanent Pavement

RESOLVED, That Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) be borrowed for Permanent Pavement Account ~~for~~ 1919 in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments, and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00)

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $1500 for Storm Sewer purposes:

Resolution Borrow $1500 Storm Sewer.

RESOLVED, That Fifteen Hundred Dollars ($1500.00) be borrowed for Storm Sewer purposes in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments, and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars ($1500.00).

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution increasing salary of Miss Ouida Hetfield from $75 to $86.66 2/3 per month:

Resolution Increase salary Miss Hetfield

RESOLVED, that the salary of Ouida Hetfield Clerk in the office of the Tax Collector be and the same hereby is increased from Seventy-five ($75.00) dollars per month to Eighty-six and two-thirds cents ($86.66 2/3) per month, as and from July 1, 1919.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Mc Donough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution increasing salary of Miss Mary H. Calyton from $52 to $70 per month:

Resolution Increase salary Miss Clayton

RESOLVED, That the salary of Mary H. Clayton, stenographer and Clerk in the office of the City Clerk, be and the same hereby is increased from Fifty-two ($52.00) dollars per month to Seventy ($70.00) dollars per month, as and from July first, 1919.

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This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution that the City Treasurer be authorized and directed to have the $140,000 of school bonds prepared for execution:

Resolution authorizing City Treasurer to have bonds prepared for execution

RESOLVED, That the City Treasurer be authorized and directed to have the $140,000 School Bonds prepared for execution.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Mc Donough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of members of the Board of Directors of the Plainfield Public Library, and offered the following resolution to confirm the same:

Resolution Members Bd Directors Public Library

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

Alexander Gilbert
William M. Stillman
Francis K. Anderson

as members of the Board of Directors of the Plainfield Public Library and Reading Room, for a term of three years, beginning July 1, 1919, and ending July 1, 1922.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Council men Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Accept resignation Wm A. Kline

Reported back resignation of Wm. A. Kline as Page to the Council with report that the Committee recommend with extreme regret the acceptance of thesaid resignation, and moved the resignation be accepted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Couhcilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported that at the last meeting a resolution was referred to the Committee respecting appropriation of $200 for use in cleaning Green Brook, and that at a recent meeting of the Committee it was the unanimous conclusion that, as the bed of the brook is private property, and as

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Request for $200 to clean Green Brook not granted

we cannot spend public funds for private purposes, the Committee recommended that money for this purpose be not appropriated, and the request not granted. So ordered.

File correspondence bet. Chairman Finance Committee & Collector. bet. City Clerk and Pub Library

Reported back for filing the following correspondence:

Letter of May 14th from the Chairman of the Finance Committee to the Collector and the Collector's reply of May 15, 1919 relative to the Auditor's report of Feb. 5, 1919.

Letter of May 14th from the City Clerk to the Public Library and reply of May 26th from A. Gilbert, President, Public Library, relative to balance in hands of the Library Board at end of the City's fiscal year.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY CHAIRMAN CONDICT:

Refuse petitions Wm A. Coddington Frank G. Marionsheck re sewer assessments

Reported back petition from August Hutt, from Wm. A. Coddington, and from Frank A. Marionsheck, each respecting sewer assessments, with report of the Commissioners thereon, in which they recommend in each case that the petitions be refused, and moved that the said three petitions be not granted and that the City Clerk so notify the petitioners with the reason as stated in the Commissioners' report why they are not granted. So ordered.

Reported back petition from the New York Telephone Co for permission to open Kensington Avenue, and offered the following resolution granting the permission:

Resolution granting permission to Telephone Co. to open Kensington Avenue.

RESOLVED, That permission be and is hereby granted to the New York Telephone Company to open Kensington Avenue for a distance of 10 feet between the Westerly curb line and the westerly side line of said street, at a distance of about 370 feet in a northerly direction from the manhole at the corner of Kensington andWatchung Avenues, for the purpose of extending the present duct through the block, property owners' permission having been secured for this work.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

File communication J. B. Lane re improvement Netherwood Avenue

Reported back for filing communication from J. B. Lane relative to improvements at the corner of Netherwood Avenue and Second Street, with report that the work had been taken care of as far as possible.

Reported back for filing the Mayor's Special Message No. 19 respecting a War Memorial, with the following report which was read:

To the Honorable the Common Council
of the City of Plainfield.

Report Chairman Street Committee to Council and Council's report to mayor re- War Memorial

Your Street Committee having carefully considered the Special Message of His Honor, the Mayor, #19 dated April 21, 1919, to which was attached the report of the War Memorial Advisory Committee, would report back the Message with the recommendation that a reply be made to his Honor, the Mayor, as per attached report.

G. HERBERT CONDICT
Chairman Committee on Streets.

July 7, 1919.

To his Honor, the Mayor,
City of Plainfield.

The Common Council has given exhaustive consideration to Special Message #19, dated April 21, 1919, which your Honor presented together with the report of the War Memorial Advisory Committee dated April 16th, and also the report of the sub-committee dated April 7th.

All of the above papers were referred by Council to the Committee on Streets for their consideration. The Committee held numerous meetings in reference to the matter, at all of which there was a full attendance of the members of Council. The Committee also arranged for a combined meeting of the members of Council and War Memorial Advisory Committee which was well attended by both bodies.

During their deliberations the Committee had drawn up numerous maps of suggested arrangements for War Memorial sites, and in most cases the endeavor was made to combine the proposed street widening in the business section of the City with the securing of a suitable site for a War Memorial.

The effort to include the memorial site in one of the street widening projects was finally abandoned owing to the great cost which would be involved in the purchase of a space of sufficient dimensions to give the memorial fitting surroundings, and it was also deemed inadvisable to set aside such a large space advantageously adapted to business purposes.

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The members of Council therefore decided to formulate their recommendations for street improvements without including therein the memorial, and have recorded their findings in a separate report which has already been presented to Council.

The suggestion of the Advisory Committee that the block bounded by Watchung Avenue, Sycamore Street, East Fifth and Sixth Streets should be secured for park purposes was also carefully considered and finally disapproved of on the ground that a park in that particular area would not prove to be of sufficient benefit to this section of the City to warrant the large expense involved.

In lieu of this recommendation for a park on the West side of Watchung Avenue, Council would favorably recommend that future consideration be given to the proposal to secure the property on East Fifth Street adjoining on the north the City Hall grounds, and also the properties fronting on Watchung Avenue between East Sixth and Seventh Streets. By removing the buildings from the area thus secured, ample space would be provided for a park extending along the east side of Watchung Avenue from East Fifth to East Seventh Streets, providing a most fitting setting for the City Hall and also for a memorial which it is proposed should be erected on the triangle at the intersection of Watchung Avenue and Crescent Avenue opposite the Crescent Avenue Church.

This triangle appears to Council to be admirably adapted as a site for the memorial, owing to its commanding position and also because of the attractive surroundings, the beauty of which will be enhanced by the erection of the proposed Y. M. C. A. Building.

Council has also had prominent architects make up sketches of different designs of memorials which are shown as erected in three of the several locations which have been under consideration, and these sketches are attached hereto.

One of these sketches by Laurence F. Peck shows a memorial shaft as it would appear if erected in the space secured by removing all of the structures from the block lying between Park Avenue, Pruden's Alley and East Second Street.

The second sketch by A. L. C. Marsh shows a clock tower with rostrum as it would appear if erected at the intersection of East2nd Street and a new street which it is proposed should be cut through the two blocks lying within Front Street, North Avenue, Park Avenue and Watchung Avenue.

The third sketch by Peck indicates the memorial in the form of a colonnade with rostrum and fountain as it would appear in the triangle opposite Crescent Avenue Church.

A fourth sketch by Peck gives an enlarged view of this memorial although if erected as shown a somewhat larger space would be required than that included in the present triangle.

In submitting these sketches Council does not intend to recommend any particular design of War Memorial as it is believed that this is the province of the Advisory Committee.

It is the recommendation of Council that the memorial be erected in the triangle, and it is the desire of members of the Council that the Advisory Committee be assured that if this recommendation receives favorable consideration by the Committee, the Council will be pleased to co-operate in every way possible in securing this site.

Should the Advisory Committee not deem it advisable to give approval to the selection of the triangle site, Council will gladly give careful consideration to any further suggestions which the Committee might be pleased to make and will cordially welcome any further light which the Committee might be able to give on this subject.

Should the Committee deem it advisable the Council will be pleased to again meet with them for further conference.

THOS. F. HYLAN
President.

Report referred to Mayor.

Councilman Sminck moved that the report be officially referred to his Honor, the Mayor, by the Council. So ordered.

Presented the following report on Street Widening in the business section, and moved, in as much as all the members had seen the report, that reading of the same be dispensed with, So ordered. The said report is as follows:

Report Chairman Street Committee Street widening business section

June 20, 1919.

To the Honorable the Common Council
of the City of Plainfield, N. J.

Supplementing the Preliminary Report on Street Widening in the business district dated May 26, 1919, the Street Committee begs leave to

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submit herewith a map on which is indicated the proposed widening of Park Ave. and the location of the new street through the center of the two blocks between Front St. and North Ave., Park Ave. and Watchung Ave.

In the preliminary report it was stated that after the Committee had carefully considered all of the suggestions submitted for the proposed improvement of traffic facilities in the City, the plan finally agreed upon as being the most feasible covered the widening of Park Ave. between Front and Second Sts. to a minimum width of 84 feet between building lines and also the cutting through of a new street from North Ave. and Front Street, as shown on the plan.

We would again call attention to the fact that a space 84 feet wide furnishes ideal conditions for a street, as it will provide for two sidewalks each 15 feet in width, a space along each curb in which vehicles may be parked at an angle of 45 degrees with the curb and through the center an unobstructed thoroughfare 20 feet wide. This arrangement is clearly shown on the map. It should be noted that parking at an angle of 45 degrees with the curb provides space for double the number vehicles that could be accommodated by parallel parking.

The map shows the business district extending from Prudens Alley to Watchung Ave. between Front St. and the railroad. Heavy black lines on Park Ave. indicate the extent of the proposed widening.

The assessed valuation of the properties lying within the area to be included within the proposed new lines of Park Ave. is $120,775.

The proposed arrangement will permit of the parking of approximately 50 vehicles on Park Ave. between Front and Second Sts. without in any degree interfering with the 20 feet thoroughfare in the center of the street.

The location of the proposed new street between Front St. and North Ave. is indicated by heavy lines. Many plans were considered by the Committee for cutting this street through on property which is now largely vacant or on which comparatively inexpensive structures have been erected but it was finally determined that no such layout would divide the blocks evenly and it was shown that no plan of this character could be carried through without leaving some portion of one or the other of the blocks unavailable for large building operations.

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It was therefore unanimously decided that the proposed street should be cut through approximately the center of the blocks although this plan entailed a somewhat greater cost owing to the necessity of removing several substantial buildings.

The principal buildings lying within the area included between the two heavy building lines are the City Building and Woolstnn and Buckle Building on North Ave.; Cline's Garage and Queen City Laundry on East Second St. and the Silbert Building occupied by The Lace Store and Ideal Music Co. and the Pittis Buildings occupied by Bonn and Collier on East Front St.

The assessed valuation of the indicated properties to be purchased for this improvement is $139,300. no allowance being made for portions of some of the properties which will not be required, the value of which will somewhat reduce the total amount.

The space available will permit of the parking of 50 vehicles along the curbs of the new street between Front and Second Sts. and 30 between Second St. and North Ave.

Assuming that ultimately Exchange Alley will be widened into an 84 foot street the business district of the City will be laid out most advantageously in four blocks of approximately equal lengths between building lines. Measuring on the center line of the four blocks lying between Madison and Watchung Aves. the distances are respectively 290, 275, 280 and 260 feet.

The Street Committee is submitting this map and report which have received the unanimous approval of the members of Council with the hope that full and free discussion of thematter will ensue so that Council may be fully conversant with the opinions of the property holders of Plainfield in reference to the matter especially of those who are most deeply affected by the proposed improvements.

The Committee would suggest that the two projects be carried through simultaneously although in their opinion the new street should be cut through and rendered available for traffic before the work on the Park Avenue project should be commenced.

The Committee also recommends that steps be taken at once by Council to commence proceedings for carrying through the work as in their opinion nothing can be gained by further delay.

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The Committee further recommends that the widening of Watchung Avenue, between Green Brook and East Second St., already provided for by ordinance, be carried through in the near future. The new building line along the East Side of Watchung Avenue is indicated by a heavy broken line on the map.

Respectfully submitted,

G. HERBERT CONDICT,
Chairman of Street Committee.

File petition Geo. Sabino - re - grade and macadamize St. Mary's Ave.

Reported back for filing petition from George Sabino and others to have St. Mary's Avenue graded and macadamized, with report that the Committee have the matter in hand and will do the work as soon as possible, and that the petitioners had been notified to that effect.

Refer communication Mr. Keiderling to Pub. Affairs Committee

Reported back communication from Mr. Keiderling and others relative to the establishment of a park at Front St. and Watchung Avenue, and moved same be referred to the Public Affairs Committee. So ordered.

File petition H. Swenson repairs Woodbine Avenue.

Reported back for filing petition of H. Swenson and others for repairs to Woodbine Avenue, with report that the work had been taken care of.

Offered the following resolution to sell portions of the septic tanks at Rock Avenue:

Resolution Sell roofs & brick partitions of Septic Tanks Rock Ave.

RESOLVED, That the Committee on Streets be authorized to sell the Septic Tank Roofs and brick partitions at the Rock Avenue property of the City for the cash price of $75.00, all debris removed and that the Committee on Streets be authorized to place in three prominent locations "No Trespass" signs.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to proceed with the widening of Watchung Avenue as soon as practicable:

Resolution To proceed with widening Watchung Avenue

RESOLVED, that it is the sense of this Council that Watchung Avenue should be widened as soon as practicable not only to the extent described in widening ordinance adopted August 5, 1918 but that such widening should be continued on the Easterly side of said Avenue to the line of the C. R. R. of N. J. and that East Third Street should also be increased in

width on its Northerly side at its intersection with Watchung Avenue and to a greater or less distance Easterly.

RESOLVED further that the Street Committee is requested to have prepared and presented to the Council at an early date such maps, documents, etc. as may be needful to that end.

Mr. Belknap protest against widening

Chairman Condict reported that Mr. Belknap, who had recently purchased the property at the corner of Watchung Avenue and Front Street, was present and wished to be heard, and moved the privilege of the floor be extended to Mr. Belknap. So ordered.

Mr. Belknap appeared and asked if the Council could not consider reducing the amount of the proposed widening from ten feet to four feet which would leave a frontage for his property of 35 feet.

The resolution was then addopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HIGHT:

Offered the following resolution to increase the salary of Mr. Pearsall:

Resolution increase salary Mr. Pearsall

RESOLVED; That the salary of J.F.Pearsall, Electrician of the Fire Department, be and the same hereby is, increased from $126.00 per month to $140.00 per month as and from July 1, 1919.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Grant petition Install gasoline tank West End Machine Shop

Reported back for filing petition of the West End Machine Shop for permission to install a gasoline tank, and moved same be granted. Granted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported back for filing petition of John R. Cline for permission to install a gasoline tank, and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all voting

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Grant petition J.R. Cline install gasoline tank.

in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

File Correspondence from Building Inspector, Messrs Milne & Smith & J.F. Pearsall.

Reported back for filing the following:

Letter March 20th from the Building Inspector re Vault Lights.

Letter May 23d from the Building Inspector re violations Building Code.

Letter April 11th from Mr. Alex. Milne relative to Building Code.

Letter May 6, 1918, from Messrs. Milne and Smith re Building Code.

Letter of June 22nd from Jas. F. Pearsoll.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

No report.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

File Mayors Communication

Reported back for filing the Mayor's communication, and offered the following resolution granting bonus to special policemen:

Resolution granting bonus payments to Special policemen

WHEREAS the following named Special Policemen have been detailed on regular service for the periods named, to wit:

Thomas O'Gorman	For several years past
Dennis Dillon	Since June 15, 1918
Dennis O'Sullivan	Since March 1, 1919,

RESOLVED that payment by way of bonus under Chapter 4 - 1919 be made to said Special Policemen respectively as of July 1, 1919, as follows:

Thomas O'Gorman	$100.00
Dennis Dillon	$100.00
Dennis O'Sullivan	$ 75.00

RESOLVED further that there be paid as such bonus as of December 1, 1919 to such of said three Special Policemen as shall have continued on regular duty to that date the further sum of Fifty Dollars.

RESOLVED further that warrants be drawn accordingly.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported back for filing the Mayor's communication, and offered the following resolution to pay patrolman Harry Brower salary during illness:

Resolution Pay Patrolman Brower for salary during illness

WHEREAS, it appears by proper certification by the Chief of Police, the City Physician and others, that Policeman Harry J. Brower has been prevented by illness from the performance of duty from May 2nd to June 15th, 1919, inclusive, and that the Board of Police recommends that he be paid the salary accruing during that time:

RESOLVED, that notwithstanding the absence from active duty of Policeman Harry J. Brower from May 2nd to June 15th, 1919, inclusive, such absence having been caused by illness, he be paid the sum of $158.65, being pay at the regular rate during said absence.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

File Mayor's Special Message No. 21

Reported back for filing the Mayor's Special Message No. 21, and introduced an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance concerning the salary of the Chief of Police and of the Chief of the Fire Department", which was read and is as follows:

1st reading Ordinance increase salary Chief of Police Department & Fire Department

An Ordinance concerning the salary of the Chief of Police and of the Chief of the Fire Department.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield by their Common Council do enact as follows:

1. The annual salary of the Chief of Police Department of the City of Plainfield is hereby established at the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($2,500) and made payable at that rate as of and from January 1, 1919.

2. The annual salary of the Chief of the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield is hereby established at the sum of Two Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars ($2,250) and made payable at that rate as of and from January 1, 1919.

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Chairman McDonough moved the ordinance be engrossed or typewritten and duly advertised. So ordered upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

1st Reading Ordinance Increase salary Collector of Taxes.

Introduced an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance concerning the salary of the Collector of Taxes", which was read, and is as follows:

An Ordinance concerning the salary of the Collector of taxes.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

1. Under and by virtue of Chapter 15, Laws of 1919 the annual salary attached to the office of the Collector of Taxes, of the City of Plainfield, is hereby increased from Two Thousand, seven hundred and fifty dollars ($2750.) to Three thousand, two hundred and fifty dollars ($3250.) and fixed at said last mentioned sum and made payable to the present incumbent of said office at that rate as of and from January 1, 1919.

Chairman McDonough moved that the ordinance be engrossed or typewritten and duly advertised. So ordered upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Resolution Granting Loans City Officials

Offered the following resolution increasing certain salaries:

WHEREAS prices of the necessities of life still remain abnormally high without apparent prospect of material change during the remainder of the current calendar and fiscal year in consequence whereof in the judgment of this Common Council it is proper to provide some at least temporary increase in the income of certain persons in the employ of the City of Plainfield.

RESOLVED that in addition to the regular salary there be paid to the following, by way of bonus, during the year 1919 the respective sums stated:

To the City Clerk	$500.00
To the Street Commissioner	$250.00
To the City Judge	200.00
To the Overseer of the Poor	100.00

One half of such bonus to be paid as of July 1, and the balance in equal semi-monthly installments during the remainder of 1919.

RESOLVED that warrants be drawn accordingly.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

Reported bill correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

Grant application Junkman

Reported back application of John Haskard for junkman's license, and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

File communication Jos. D. Holmes with report

Reported back communication of June 9th from Jos. D. Holmes respecting passage of a law by the State of New York imposing an income tax upon residents in New Jersey doing business in the City of New York, with report that the State officials had taken the matter up and that hence there is no action for the City to take, and moved the communication be filed. So ordered.

NEW BUSINESS:

Petition Allen E. Beals condition gutter Front St.

Councilman Sminck presented ommunication from Allen E. Beals calling attention to condition of the gutter in Front Street at #503 East Front Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Communication Allen E. Beals condition wires on P.S.C. pole 503 E. Front St.

Councilman Sminck presented communication from Allen E. Beals calling attention to the conditions of the wires on P. S. C. Pole #362 in front of property No. 503 East Front Street. Referred to the Street Lighting Committee.

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AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Resolution Pay Claims

Reported all claims presented as correct, and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the General Pay roll for the 2nd half of June, 1919, amounting to	544.34
Claims appearing on the Miscellaneous Appropriation Account dated July 7, 1919, amounting to	2659.11
Claims appearing on the City Hall Appropropriation Account dated July 7, 1919, amounting to	2847.74
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 2nd half of June 1919, amounting to	193.75
Claims appearing on the Tax Department Appropriation Account dated July 7, 1919, amounting to	59.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 2nd half of June 1919, amounting to	120.83
Claim appearing on the District Court Appropriation Account dated July 7, 1919 amounting to	12.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 2nd half of June 1919, amounting to	62.50
Claims appearing on the City Court Appropriation Account dated July 7, 1919, amounting to	4.55
Claims appearing on the Publishing & Advertising Appropriation Account dated July 7, 1919 amounting to	25.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 2nd half of June, 1919, amounting to	2040.20
Claims appearing on the Street Department Appropriation Account dated July 7, 1919, amounting to	2738.02
Claims appearing on the Street Improvement 1916 Account dated July 7, 1919, amounting to	43.94
Claims appearing on the Permanent Pavement 1917 Account dated July 7, 1919, amounting to	38.19
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the Permanent Pavement 1919 Account for the 2nd half of June 1919, amounting to	345.51
Claims appearing on the Permanent Pavement 1919 Account dated July 7, 1919, amounting to	2984.30

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 2nd half of June 1919, amounting to	210.34
Claims appearing on the Sewer Department Appropriation Account dated July 7, 1919 amounting to	4312.31
Claims appearing on the Sewer Extension Appropriation Account dated July 7, 1919 amounting to	2969.63
Claims appearing on the Storm Sewer Appropriation Account dated July 7, 1919, amounting to	1378.43
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 2nd half of June 1919, amounting to	155.00
Claims appearing on the Shade Tree Commission Appropriation Account dated July 7, 1919, amounting to	18.76
Claims appearing on the Street Lighting Appropriation Account dated July 7, 1919, amounting to	1686.70
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 2nd half of June 1919, amounting to	1314.22
Claims appearing on the Police Department Appropriation Account dated July 7, 1919, amounting to	294.27
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 2nd half of June 1919, amounting to	1688.80
Claims appearing on the Fire Department Appropriation Account dated July 7, 1919, amounting to	2840.19
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Inspector for the 2nd half of June 1919, amounting to	45.84
Claims appearing on the Building Inspector's Appropriation Account dated July 7, 1919, amounting to	36.25
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 2nd half of June 1919 amounting to	135.42
Claims appearing on the Poor Department Appropriation Account dated July 7, 1919, amounting to	964.97
Total -	$ 35771.11

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all members present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

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Adjourn

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John F Carroll

City Clerk.

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Monday Evening, July 21, 1919.

Regular meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present President Hylan and Councilmen Condict, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck. Absent Councilmen Ackerman, Hull and Force.

Minutes of regular meeting held July 7th were read and approved.

Councilman Force came in while minutes were being read.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Bid for winding Town Clock

Bid of L. Moraller & Son for winding the Town Clock in the First Methodist Church, for one year beginning July 1, 1919, at the same figure as formerly, $30.00, was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Application Auctioneers License

Application of M. Cohen for an auctioneer's license was presented and referred to the License Committee.

Petition Jno. R. Knowlton re State Highway.

Petition from James R. Knowlton, 450 West Fifth Street, and others, against the use of West Fifth Street as route for the State Highway through this City, and protesting against the widening of this street for use as a route for the State Highway. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition Maurice J. Kennedy sewer assessment

Petition from Maurice J. Kennedy for cancellation of sewer assessment against his property #981 West Fourth Street, corner of Monroe Ave. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition Siegelson & Blumerfeld gasoline tank

Petition from Siegelson & Blumerfeld for permission to install a gasoline tank at #309-313 Central Avenue. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Petition S. Sivco extension gas Myrtle Ave

Petition from Stive Sivco and others for extension of the illuminating gas system from Myrtle Avenue northward to the foot of Everett Place was read and referred to the Street Lighting Committee.

File contract Wilson Concrete Co. and City

Contract between the City and the Wilson Concrete Co., dated July 8, 1919, duly executed by both parties, and approved by the Corporation Counsel, was presented and ordered filed.

Communication A. G. Belknap

Communication of July 21st from A. G. Belknap advising that his contractor and builder would be ready to break ground in about one week and asking if the Council have decided to put into effect the ordinance to widen

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Watchung Avenue from Front Street to the Brook, and also asking to be advised the exact amount of ground required, and requesting an early decision in the premises. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

REPORTS OF COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:-

Communication from Mayor authorizing bonus payment to Trialmen Fire Dept.

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor submitting form of resolution authorizing a bonus payment to two probationary men in the Fire department. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

File reports Overseer of Poor, Clerk District Court

Report of the Overseer of the Poor and of the Clerk of the District Court, for the month of June, were each read and ordered filed.

File report City Judge

Report of the City Judge for the quarter ending June 1, 1919 was presented and ordered filed.

Councilman Ackerman came in at this time.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

CITY HALL BUILDING BY COUNCILMAN ACKERMAN:

No report.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

Resolution appointing Page to Council

Offered the following resolution appointing Robert McCormick as page to the Council:

> RESOLVED that Robert McCormack be, and he hereby is, employed, by the month, as page to the Common Council at the rate of $50.00 per year.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Resolution accepting bid of L. Moraller

Reported back for filing bid of L. Moraller & Son for winding the Town Clock, and offered the following resolution accepting the same:

> RESOLVED; That L. Moraller & Son be authorized to wind the town clock from July

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1st 1919 to July 1st 1920 for the sum of Thirty Dollars ($30.00) per annum, as usual.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the to roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight. Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to advertise for bids for $140,000 of school bonds:

Resolution advertise for bids for $140,000 School Bonds

WHEREAS, an ordinance was finally adopted on the seventh day of July, 1919, and approved by the Mayor on the tenth day of July, 1919, authorizing the issuance of $140,000 School Bonds of the City of Plainfield, and

WHEREAS, it is now desirable to provide for the issuance of said $140,000 bonds and to direct the sale, and to fix the form thereof, and the coupons to be annexed thereto. Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that there be issued One hundred and forty (140) negotiable Municipal Bonds of said City, aggregating $140,000, in the denomination of One Thousand Dollars ($1,000) each, which bonds shall be numbered from one (1) to one hundred and forty (140) both inclusive, shall be dated the 15th day of August, 1919, and shall bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the 15th days of February and August in each year, and which said bonds shall mature as follows: Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) on August 15, in each of the years 1921 to 1948 both inclusive. That said bonds shall be signed by the Mayor and sealed with the corporate seal of the City, and shall be attested by the City Clerk. That both principal and interest of said bonds shall be paid in gold coin of the United States of America of the present standard weight and fineness or its equivalent at the office of the City Treasurer in the City of Plainfield, New Jersey. That said bonds shall be coupon bonds with the privilege of registration as to principal and interest, and that the coupons attached to said bonds shall be signed with the engraved or lithographed facsimile signature of the City Treasurer.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that said bonds shall be issued in substantially the following form, to-wit:

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
CITY OF PLAINFIELD
SCHOOL BONDS

No.____ $1,000.00

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That the Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, a municipal corporation in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, for value received, hereby acknowledges itself indebted and promises to pay to the bearer, or if this bond be registered, to the registered holder hereof, on the 15th day of August, 19___, the sum of One Thousand Dollars($1,000) with interest thereon at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the 15th days of February and August in each year, on presentation and surrender of the interest coupons hereto annexed as they severally become due, or if this bond be converted into a registered bond to the registered holder hereof.

This bond may be registered as to principal by the owner in his name on the books of said City, kept in the office of the City Treasurer, and such registration shall be noted hereon, after which no valid transfer hereof shall be made except upon said books until after registered transfer to bearer. Such registration shall not affect the negotiability of the coupons which shall pass by delivery. At the request of the holder, this bond shall be converted into a registered bond and the coupons annexed hereto detached and cancelled, and thereafter both principal and interest shall be payable to the registered holder hereof.

Both principal and interest of this bond are payable in gold coin of the United States of America of the present standard weight and fineness, or its equivalent, at the office of the City Treasurer in the City of Plainfield, New Jersey.

This bond is one of a series of One Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars bonds of like date and tenor except as to number and maturity, and is issued for the purpose of erecting enlarging and furnishing an addition to Emerson School, a school house for graded purposes in the City School District of Plainfield, New Jersey, pursuant to the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey, entitled "An Act to establish a thorough and efficient system of free public schools, and to provide for the maintenance, support and management thereof," approved October 19, 1903, and the acts supplemental thereto and amendatory thereof, and under and by virtue of ordinances and proceedings of the Common Council of said City duly passed and taken.

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It is hereby certified, recited and declared that all acts, conditions and things required to be done, exist, happen and be performed precedent to and in the issuance of this bond, have been done, existed, happened and been performed in regular and due form and manner as required by law, and that this bond together with all the other indebtedness of said City does not exceed any limitation of indebtedness of said City prescribed by the Constitution or statutes of said State, and that the full faith and credit of the Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield are irrevocably pledged to the payment of the principal and interest of this bond according to its terms.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield has caused these presents to be signed by its Mayor and its City Clerk and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed, and the coupons hereto annexed to be signed with the engraved or lithographed fac-simile signature of its City Treasurer and this bond to be dated as of thefifteenth day of August, 1919.

(SEAL)

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

_____

CITY CLERK

That the coupons shall be in substantially the following form:

No.___ $25.00

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, New Jersey, will pay to the bearer on the surrender of this coupon on the 15th day of February / August, 19___, Twenty-five Dollars ($25.00) in gold coin of the United States of America of the present standard weight and fineness or its equivalent, at the office of the City Treasurer, in the City of Plainfield, New Jersey, being six months' interest then due on its School Bond, dated August 15, 1919, No.____.

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City Treasurer.

That there shall be endorsed on each of said bonds the following conversion certificate:

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CONVERSION CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that at the request of the holder of the within bond for its conversion into a registered bond, I have this day cut off and destroyed _____ coupons attached to said bond, numbered from _____ to _____ inclusive, of the amount and value of Twenty-five Dollars each, amounting in the aggregate to _____ dollars, and that the within bond is hereby converted into a registered bond, with the principal thereof and semi-annual interest thereon payable to _____ assignee or legal representatives.

Dated _____, 19____.

_____

City Treasurer.

Date of Registration:	Name of Registered Holder:	City Treasurer:
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and he hereby is directed to cause to be published a notice that sealed proposals will be received on the eighteenth day of August, 1919, at 8:30 p.m. for the purchase of said $140,000 Bonds. Such notice to be published two times in the Plainfield Courier-News, a newspaper published in the City of Plainfield, and at least once in the Bond Buyer, a financial paper published in New York City, New York. The first publication in each of said newspapers to be at least ten days prior to the 18th day of August, 1919, the date of sale, and that the form of such notice shall be substantially as follows:

(FORM OF NOTICE)

CITY OF PLAINFIELD
NEW JERSEY,

Notice of sale of $140,000 five per cent School Bonds.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on the 18th day of August, 1919, at 8:30 p.m., at the Council Chamber in

the City Hall, 515 Watchung Avenue, in the City of Plainfield, New Jersey, the Common Council of said City will receive sealed bids for the purchase of the following described bonds of said City:

School Bonds in an aggregate amount not exceeding $140,000. Said bonds will be in the denomination of $1,000 each, will be dated August 15, 1919, will bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the fifteenth days of February and August in each year; both principal and interest will be payable at the office of the City Treasurer in the City of Plainfield, New Jersey, in gold coin of the United States of America of the present standard weight and fineness or its equivalent, and said bonds will mature as follows: Five bonds aggregating $5,000 on August 15, in each of the years 1921 to 1948 both inclusive. The bonds will be coupon bonds with the privilege of registration as to principal only, or as to both principal and interest.

The amount necessary to be raised at said sale is $140,000. Unless all bids are rejected, said bonds will be sold to the bidder or bidders complying with the terms of such sale and offering to pay not less than $140,000, and to take therefor the least amount of bonds offered, commencing with the first maturity and stated in a multiple of $1,000, and if two or more bidders offer to take the same amount of said bonds, then to the bidder or bidders offering to pay therefor the highest additional price. No more bonds will be sold than will produce the sum of $140,000 and an additional sum of less than $1,000.

The right is reserved to reject all bids, and any bid not complying with the provisions hereof will be rejected. All bidders are required to deposit a certified check payable to the order of the City Treasurer for two per centum of the amount of bonds bid for, drawn upon an incorporated bank or trust company, to secure the city against any loss resultingfrom the failure of the bidder to comply with the terms of his bid. Checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned upon the award of the bonds.

Proposals should be enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to John J. Carroll, City Clerk, Plainfield, New Jersey, marked on theoutside "Proposal for School Bonds".

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The bonds will be prepared and certified as to genuineness by the United States Mortgage and Trust Company of New York City, and said bonds will be delivered and must be accepted and paid for with accrued interest by the purchaser at the office of the Plainfield City Treasurer on or before September 4, 1919 at eleven o'clock a.m. unless a subsequent date shall be mutually agreed upon between the purchaser and the City Treasurer. The validity of the bonds will be approved by George S. Clay, Esq., Attorney, of New York City, a duplicate original of whose opinion will be furnished to the purchaser.

By order of the Common Council

Dated, _____, 1919

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City Clerk.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported back for filing the following papers, the same having been attended to:

File Correspondence
Finance Com. + Corporation Counsel
" " City Clerk
Mayor + Common Council from R. B. Van Arsdale
" " " " + Chairman
McCarthy to Common Council
Chairman to McCarthy

Letter July 8th Corporation Counsel to Chairman
" July 4th Finance Committee to Corporation Counsel
" June 19th City Clerk to Chairman
" April 15th to Mayor & Common Councilfrom R. B. VanArsdale
" May 10th from Chairman to R. B. VanArsdale
" April 21, Chas. J. McCarthy to Common Council
" May 10th from Chairman to Chas. J. McCarthy

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY CGAIRMAN CONDICT:

Resolution re widening Park Ave. print question on ballot for voters to decide

Offered the following resolution regarding the widening of Park Avenue and Somerset Street:

WHEREAS it is the sense of this Council that Park Avenue between Second Street and Front Street should be widened on the Westerly side and

that Somerset Street should also be widened. A difference of opinion exists, however, not only in the Council but among prominent citizens, as to the extent to which such Park Avenue widening should go, some believing that it should be carried to the Westerly side of Prudens Alley, thus creating a public square, while the majority of the members of Council believe that widening about forty feet would be sufficient. This would remove the Codington Building fronting on West Second Street, the old Corey Building fronting on West Front Street, and the buildings fronting on Park Avenue between those two.

AND WHEREAS the questions involved are of large importance both to the present and future development of our City, and in the opinion of this Council justify it in ascertaining so far as possible the sentiment of the voters generally on the subject.

RESOLVED that it is the intention of this Council to cause to be printed on the official ballots at the general election in November a resolution which will permit every voter to express his choice of the two propositions.

RESOLVED FURTHER that as the question of whether Somerset Street should be widened on the Easterly side thereof only may depend upon the decision in regard to widening Park Avenue, decision regarding the Somerset Street widening be reserved until after said referrendum.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

File petition Albert Pittis & J. F. MacDonald re laying new street

Reported back for filing petition from Albert Pittis and others, and from J. F. MacDonald, against the opening of a proposed new street between North Avenue and Front Street, with report that the Committee would recomment to the Council that nothing further be done about this project for the present. On motion the recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

Reported that the ordinance for the widening of Watchung Avenue was in process of preparation and that the Committee hoped soon to be able to present it for action.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

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FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HIGHT:

Reported back for filing the Mayor's communication regarding bonus for Trialmen and offered the following resolution granting bonus to probationary men:

Resolution authorizing payment of bonus to Trialmen

WHEREAS, the following named Trialmen in the Fire Department have been detailed on regular duty for the period named, to wit:

Harry Bartel	since	December 1, 1918
Edward Colfax	since	January 14, 1919

RESOLVED, that payment by way of bonus under Chapter 4, Laws 1919, be made to said Trialmen respectively as of July 1, 1919 as follows:

Harry Bartel	$100.00
Edward Colfax	$ 93.75

FURTHER RESOLVED, that there be paid as such bonus as of December 1, 1919 to such of said Trialmen as shall have continued on regular duty to that date the further sum of $50.00.

RESOLVED, that warrants be drawn accordingly.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight. Lovell, Maynard, Mc Donough and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported back for filing a number of communications, all of which have been attended to by the Committee:

File correspondence Chief & Chairman & Committee

Report of Chief of Fire Department on trip to Convention
Letter July 15th from Chief to Chairman Fire Committee
" July 16th from Mayor to Chairman re Whitley with copy of letter from Mayor to Gerald Whitley
Copy report of Chief to Pension Fund Association
Petition Clerk of Fire Department to Committee

Offered the following resolution increasing the salary of Mr. Monroe Staats, Clerk in the Fire Department:

Resolution increase salary Monroe Staats

RESOLVED, That the salary of Monroe Staats, Clerk in the Fire Department, be, and the same hereby is, increased from forty-two dollars and fifty cents ($42.50) a month to forty-seven dollars and fifty cents ($47.50) a month as of and from July 1st 1919.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

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Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

File petition Mr. Bosterle

Reported back for filing petition from Mr. Bosterle and other s regarding noise caused by use of air riveter in works of the American Motors Corporation, with report that the matter had been taken up with the American Motors Corporation who had replied that they will reduce the noise complained of as far as possible, and that the Committee had so advised the petitioners.

Report of Research + Advisory Com. re City Park

Resolution recommending purchase of property for park

Reported that sometime ago there was referred to the Research and Advisory Committee the matter of Public Parks, and that the Commission had recommended that the property bounded by Watchung Avenue, East Front Street, Elm Place and Green Brook (not including the Church property) be secured, which report had been referred to the Public Affairs Committee; and in accordance therewith offered the following resolution recommending the purchase of this property:

WHEREAS, the Research and Advisory Commission have endorsed with its favorable opinion the property bounded by Elm Place, Front Street, Watchung Avenue and Green Brook, excluding the First Presbyterian Church property, as a suitable place for a park, and recommended that the City purchase this tract, and

WHEREAS it is the opinion of the members of the Public Affairs Committee that it would be well to adopt the recommendation of the Research and Advisory Commission:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that it is the sense of the Common Council of Plainfield that the location mentioned is most desirable for a public park, if investigation shows that the brook can be made to supply sufficient water for a small lake; provided the Common Council can be assured of the co-operation of North Plainfield in the enterprise to the extent that they will acquire property on their side of the brook to correspond with the area that Plainfield would have to acquire on its side, so that the park may be symmetrical and the interests of both municipalities be propected.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Common Council of North Plainfield for their courteous consideration and early report.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, Maynard

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McDonough and Sminck and President Hylan.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Called up on second reading an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance concerning the salary of the Chief of Police and of the Chief of the Fire Department", the same having been read and ordered to be advertised at the meeting held July 7th last, which was read and is as follows:

Adopt Ordinance concerning salary of Chief of Police and Chief of Fire Dept.

An Ordinance concerning the salary of the Chief of Police and of the Chief of the Fire Department.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield by their Common Council do enact as follows:

1. The annual salary of the Chief of Police Department of the City of Plainfield is hereby established at the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($2,500) and made payable at that rate as of and from January 1, 1919.

2. The annual salary of the Chief of the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield is hereby established at the sum of Two Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars ($2,250) and made payable at that rate as of and from January 1, 1919.

Affidavit of Publication

The clerk presented proof of publication showing that notice of the intention of the Council to pass the above mentioned ordinance at this meeting had been according to law. The proof of publication was ordered filed.

Chairman McDonough moved the ordinance be adopted upon second reading and final passage. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, Maynard, McDonough and Sminck and President Hylan.

Called up on second reading an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance concerning the salary of the Collector of Taxes" the same having been read and ordered advertised at the meeting held July 7th last, which was read and is as follows:

Ordinance concerning salary of tax collector

An Ordinance concerning the salary of the Collector of Taxes.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

1. Under and by virtue of Chapter 15, Laws of 1919 the annual salary attached to the office of the Collector of Taxes, of the City of Plainfield, is hereby increased from Two Thousand, seven hundred and fifty dollars ($2750) to Three Thousand, two hundred and fifty

dollars ($3250.) and fixed at said last mentioned sum and made payable to the present incumbent of said office at that rate as of and from January 1, 1919.

Affidavit Publication

The Clerk presented proof of Publication showing that notice of the intention of the Council to pass the above mentioned ordinance at this meeting had been according to law. The proof of publication was ordered filed.

Adopt

Chairman McDonough moved that the ordinance be adopted upon second reading and final passage. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, Maynard, McDonough and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

ALMS BY COUNCILMAN SMINCK:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

Refund on Liquor Licenses to be made March 1st

Reported back for filing application of Godfrey Herold dated July 7th for return of portion of license fee on premises #142-144 East Front Street with the following report: That the Ordinance approved February 19, 1919, under which the return is requested, provides that such return can be made only 'at the expiration of the term for which the license shall have been granted'. The licenses are granted from March 1st to March 1st, therefore the refund could in no event be made before March 1st 1920.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

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Resolution
Pay Claims

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the General pay roll for the 1st half of July 1919 amounting to	690.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 1st half of July 1919, amounting to	199.58
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 1st half of July 1919, amounting to	62.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Inspector for the 1st half of July 1919, amounting to	45.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 1st half of July 1919, amounting to	120.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 1st half of July 1919, amounting to	1917.54
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Permanent Pavement 1919 account for the 1st half of July 1919, amounting to	466.17
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 1st half of July 1919, amounting to	90.69
Salaries and wages of personsappearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 1st half of July 1919, amounting to	205.75
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Extension Account for the 1st half of July 1919, amounting to	7.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 1st half of July 1919 amounting to	1163.03
Salaries and wages ofpersons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 1sthalf of July, 1919, amounting to	1689.04
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 1st half of July 1919, amounting to	136.92
Total - - -	$ 6795.72

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J. Carroll

City Clerk.

Monday Evening, August 4, 1919.

Regular

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck.

Minutes of regular meeting held July 21st were read and approved.

Councilman Graves came in while minutes were being read.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER.

Mayor's Comm re purchase and sale food supplies

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, being his Special Message No. 22 respecting purchase and sale by the City of Food Supplies, which was read and referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

File reports Treasurer Insp. Bldgs. Overseer P. Poor, Collector City Clerk

Report of the Treasurer, of the Inspector of Buildings, of the Overseer of the Poor, of the Collector and of the City Clerk, for the month of July, were each read and ordered filed.

File Supplemental Debt Statement

Supplemental debt statement of the Treasurer, showing the average net debt as of August 2nd, to be 4.7%, was presented and ordered filed.

Report Engr. Charge Sewers

Report of the Engineer in Charge of Sewers, showing 28 sewer permits granted during the month of July, was presented and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

CITY HALL BUILDING by Councilman Ackerman:

No report.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

FINANCE by Chairman Sminck:

Offered the following resolution to borrow $25,000 for 1919 permanent pavement purposes:

Resolution Borrow $25,000 for Permanent Pavement

RESOLVED that Twenty-five Thousand ($25,000.00) dollars be borrowed for 1919 Permanent Pavement purposes (Ordinance adopted by the Common Council April 29, 1919) in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments, and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute

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demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Twenty-five Thousand ($25,000.00) dollars, at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the rol all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerma Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS by Chairman Condict:

File Specifications etc, construction sanitary sewer in Rose Street and Clinton Place

Presented "Specifications for the construction of sanitary sewers with appurtenances, including house connections, in Rose Street and Clinton Place, including information for bidders, form of proposal, contract and bon covered by sewer ordinance No. 20. with map, and moved th be filed. So ordered.

Introduced an ordinance entitled "Sewer Ordinanc No. 20. An Ordinance for the Construction of Sanitary Se With Appurtenances including House Connections, in Rose St and Clinton Place", which was read and is as follows:

Introduce Sewer Ordinance No. 20. An Ordinance for construction of Sanitary Sewer, with appurtenances

SEWER ORDINANCE NO. 20 An Ordinance for the Construction of Sanitary Sewers, With Appurtenances Including House Connections, in Rose Street and Clinton Place.

WHEREAS, there has been constructed in the said City under the provisions of a statute entitled, "An Act to provide for drainage and sewers in Cities of this State", P.L. 1890, P-192, &c., and the various statutes supplemental thereto and amendatory thereof, a system of sewerage and various additions thereto as is referred to in the ordinances of said City on said subject heretofore adopted, to which, for greater certainty reference is hereby made.

AND WHEREAS, the statutes above referred to have been repealed, and in the opinion of the Common Council of said City, further additions to said system of sewerage should now be made under and by virtue of the provisions of Chapter 152, of the Laws of 1917, and amendments and supplements thereto, and the Common Council of said City has so determined and does hereby so determine; THEREFORE:

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

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Section 1. That further additions by way of lateral sewers to the system of sewerage already constructed in said City of Plainfield shall be made as a local improvement, under the provisions of Chapter 152 of the Laws of 1917, and statutes supplemental thereto or amendatory thereof, with all the appurtenances necessary to complete such additions, and of the materials and dimensions, and substantially according to the plans and specifications hereinafter mentioned, in and through the streets, avenues, lands, property, and rights of way, and for the distance hereinafter designated.

Section 2. Such additions shall be lateral sanitary sewers and shall be constructed of vitrified pipe eight inches in diameter, buried to a proper depth and connected with the sanitary sewer already existing in Randolph Road and shall extend from such point of connection through and along Rose Street in a Northerly direction for a distance of Nine Hundred and Forty feet to a point near Arlington Avenue, and also lateral sanitary sewer constructed of vitrified pipe eight inches in diameter, buried in like manner and connected with the sanitary sewer already existing in Clinton Avenue and extending from such point of connection through and along Clinton Place in a Northeasterly direction for a distance of Three Hundred and Fifty feet to a point near Clinton Alley.

The sewer so to be constructed shall be equipped with all necessary and proper manholes, flush tanks, and appurtenances, as shown or indicated on or in the plans and specifications hereinafter referred to.

Section 3. In connection with the construction of said sewers there shall be laid and installed, house connections from such sewer to the curb line of the street in which the sewer is constructed. Such house connections shall be of cast iron pipe, four inches in diameter, and one shall be laid and installed from the sewer to the curb line in front of each building which now exists on any lot abutting on either side of the street through which the sewer is constructed and as shown on a certain map and plans entitled: "Sewer Ordinance No. 20, Map and plans for the construction of sanitary sewers, with appurtenances including house connections, in Rose Street and Clinton Place," which map and plans have been prepared and will be exhibited at every hearing on this subject held by the Common Council of the City of Plainfield. The cost of such house connection shall be assessed against the lot or plot benefited.

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Section 4. Such sewers, with the appurtenances house connections, etc., shall be constructed in substantial compliance with said map and plans and with specifications entitled: "Sewer Ordinance No. 20, Specifications for the construction of sanitary sewers, with appurtenances including house connections, in Rose Street and Clinton Place, including information for bidders, form of proposal, contract and bond," which map, plans and specifications are all filed in the office of the City Clerk on August 4, 1919, and which map, plans and specifications are hereby approved. All work shall be given out upon contract to the lowest responsible bidder after public advertisement in the manner provided by law.

Section 5. It is estimated that the cost of the work contemplated by this ordinance will be Four Thousand Five Hundred dollars ($4500.) and the Common Council of the City of Plainfield does hereby appropriate that sum to be applied to and used for that purpose.

Section 6. Upon the completion of said work there shall be levied in the manner provided by law, an assessment for benefits on the property benefited or increased in value by said work or improvement, in addition to the assessment for house connections specified in Section 3 hereof, which said assessment shall in each case be as near as may be in proportion to the peculiar benefit, advantage or increase in value which the respective lots or parcels of land and real estate legally liable to such assessments shall have received by reason of such work or improvement, and in no case shall any such assessment on any parcel or lot or land exceed in amount such peculiar benefit, advantage or increase in value, nor shall the total benefits assessed exceed the total cost and expense of the work or improvement. Should the said cost and expense exceed the total amount of such benefits so assessed, the excess thereof shall be paid by the City at large and raised by general tax.

Section 7. For the purpose of providing for the payment of the costs and expenses of said work and improvements and of the house connections, in advance of the collection of assessments for benefits, the Common Council, in pursuance of the provisions of the said Chapter 152 of the Laws of 1917, and of the provisions of Chapter 252 of the Laws of 1916, approved March 22, 1916, and statutes supplemental thereto or amendatory to either thereof, shall by resolution authorize the issuing from time to time of temporary notes or temporary bonds of the City of Plainfield, which said resolution shall fix the maximum interest thereon not exceeding six per

cent per annum, said notes or bonds shall state in general terms the purpose for which they are issued; shall be payable on demand or mature not exceeding five years from the date when the purpose for which they were issued has been carried out, or subject to earlier call for payment, and issued as the said Common Council may provide, such notes or bonds so issued shall be paid or funded within five years after the purpose for which they are issued has been carried out.

Section 8. That it is hereby determined and declared as follows:

(a) The probable period of the usefulness of the aforesaid lateral sewers and appurtenances is forty years.

(b) The average assessed valuation of the taxable real property (including improvements) of the City of Plainfield, computed upon the next preceeding three valuations thereof by the statement filed under Section 12 of Chapter 252 of the Laws of 1916 is $28,082,159.00

(c) The net debt of the City of Plainfield computed in the manner provided in said Section 12 of said last mentioned Act is 4 7/10% of said rateables.

(d) The statement required by Section 12 of said last mentioned act has been made by the Treasurer of the City of Plainfield, the chief financial officer of said City, and filed in the office of the Clerk thereof as required by said last mentioned act.

Section 9. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Offered the following resolution to advertise hearing on the foregoing ordinance to be held August 18th:

Resolution advertising hearing on Sewer Ordinance No. 20

WHEREAS, there has been introduced in this body a proposed ordinance entitled, "Sewer Ordinance No. 20. An Ordinance for the construction of sanitary sewers, with appurtenances including house connections, in Rose Street and Clinton Place," which contemplates the making of certain local improvements under and pursuant to Chapter 152 of the Laws of 1917, and acts supplemental thereto and amendatory thereof, and which improvements, are, briefly, the installation of sanitary sewers, with appurtenances such as manholes, flush tanks, and house connections, in Rose Street from Randolph Road northerly for a distance of nine hundred and forty feet to a point near Arlington Avenue,

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and also in Clinton Place from Clinton Avenue northeasterly for a distance of three hundred and fifty feet to a point near Clinton Alley:

RESOLVED, that it is the intention of this governing body to consider the undertaking of such improvements and to consider the said ordinance, and that Monday, the 18th day of August, 1919, at 8:30 P.M., is hereby fixed as the time, and the Council Chambers in the City Hall Building, of the City of Plainfield, as the place when and where this body will meet for such consideration, at which time and place all persons whose lands may be affected by such improvement or who may be interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning such improvement.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Street Commissioner cause public notice of all of the foregoing to be given by publication in the official newspaper The Plainfield-courier News, at least ten days prior to the date so fixed, which notice shall include a copy of these preamble and resolutions, and a copy of the said proposed ordinance; and that said Street Commissioner also mail a copy of said notice of intention as published to every person whose lands may be affected by such local improvement, so far as may be ascertained, directed to his last post office address, and shall immediately after doing so take and file with the City Clerk and affidavit showing the persons to whom such notice were mailed, with the addresses used, a copy of the notice and in what newspaper, and when the same was published. A copy of such affidavit, together with the affidavit of proof of publication in said newspaper must be furnished to this body at the hearing.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilman Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

File petition Chas. H. Hand.

Reported back petition from Chas. H. Hand respecting sewer assessment on West Third Street, and moved same be filed. So ordered.

File petition James R. Knowlton et als. use of 5th Street as State Highway

Reported back petition from James R. Knowlton and others against the use of Fifth Street for State Highway route, and against the widening of said street, with the report that the City had never considered the widening of this street, and that the Committee had written Mr. Knowlton to this effect, with request that he so advise the other signers and that the Committee will consider their protest respecting the use of this street for the route of the State Highway when this matter is taken up by the State Highway Commission and moved that the petition be filed. So ordered.

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Reported back the following communications, the same having been attended to, and moved they be filed. So ordered.

File correspondence of Committee

Letter July 21st from A. G. Belknap re Widening of Watchung Avenue, with reply of Chairman of Street Committee.
Letter June 23rd from Dominico DeDario re scraping Watson Avenue, with reply of Chairman of Street Committee.
Letter June 26th from Durlach Brothers re Widening of Watchung Avenue, addressed to the Common Council.
Letter June 26th from Durlach Brothers re Widening of Watchung Avenue, addressed to Mr. G. Herbert Condict.
Copy of Corporation Counsel's letter to Mr. Calkins re Widening of Watchung Avenue, dated July 2, 1919.
Letter of July 3rd, from Mayor Calkins addressed to Mr. Condict re Widening of Watchung Avenue.
Letter of July 10th to Durlach Brothers written by Mr. Condict in answer to theirs of June 26th addressed to the Common Council re Widening of Watchung Avenue.

Mr. Condict reported interview with Mr. Besler regarding widening of E. 3rd Street

Chairman Condict reported that he had today had an interview with Mr. Besler of the C. R.R. Co. of N.J. with reference to Third Street and the Watchung Avenue bridge widening; that he took great interest in the matter and stated that it was a thing that should be done; that the railroad needs an extra track there; also that the right-of-way of the railroad extends about half way across Third Street at Watchung Avenue, and the idea was to take enough from the Friends Society property to move Third Street north so that the railroad could put their track through; and he suggested they might turn part of their park into North Avenue so as to give a better entrance into Third Street; but under present conditions it would be impossible for the Railroad to do anything, but that he was interested in improving the conditions at that point.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS by Chairman Hight:

Grant application Christian install gas tank

Reported back application of Seigelson & Blumerfeld for permission to install a gasoline tank at 309-313 Central Avenue, and moved same be granted. So ordered.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS by Chairman Ackerman:

Reported back for filing the Mayor's Special Message No. 22 on purchase and sale of food supplies, and offered the following resolution for purchase and sale of supplies:

WHEREAS the Government of the United States is offering for sale to municipalities certain foods at reduced prices:

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Resolution -
Sale of Government Food supplies and granting appropriation for purchase of same

AND WHEREAS by and under the provisions of Chapter 53 of the Laws of 1918 of the State of New Jersey, the governing body of every municipality in this State, is authorized to purchase foods and fuel and to sell the same either at wholesale or retail, and to rent or lease and equip storehouses, rooms and places in which to store and from which to sell such foods and fuel and is given power by ordinance or resolution to authorize an officer or employee of such municipality named in such ordinance or resolution to conduct in behalf of such municipality, the business of buying and selling foods and fuel, the securing of necessary equipment and the renting of necessary buildings and rooms therefor.

RESOLVED that in the judgment of this Common Council advantage should now be taken of the aforesaid offer of the Federal Government to the extent of the purchase from it of such quantities of such foods as may be saleable in the City of Plainfield, between the date hereof and December 31, 1919, and the securing of such equipment and rooms or building as may be necessary for the purpose of storing and selling such foods and that such foods when purchased should be sold either at retail or at wholesale under such restrictions as may be proper and at prices which shall equal the cost to the City of Plainfield including the cost of handling, storing and selling the same, but not including any profit.

RESOLVED FURTHER that Chauncey L. Hight, Esquire, a member of this Council, be and is hereby authorized to conduct in behalf of the City of Plainfield such business of buying and selling such foods, securing the necessary equipment and buildings or rooms, and doing all things in connection with such business as may be necessary or proper, authority in that respect to the full extent of the power of this body being hereby granted him.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.) be and is hereby appropriated for the purposes aforesaid, and there being insufficient funds available from emergency or general municipal purposes, said sum so appropriated shall be borrowed in the name and on the credit of the City of Plainfield on the note or notes thereof, which the Mayor and City Treasurer are hereby authorized to execute and negotiate, and warrant for that amount shall be drawn to the order of said Hight.

RESOLVED FURTHER that said money together with all proceeds of sale of such foods so purchased, shall be placed to the credit of Chauncey

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L. Hight in one or more of the banking institutes in the City of Plainfield and shall until further action by this Council be subject to the check of said Hight.

RESOLVED FURTHER that said Chauncey L. Hight is hereby authorized to employ and pay such clerical or other help as he may deem necessary and to conduct said business in all its details in the manner prescribed or indicated in and by said Chapter 53, Laws of 1918, and that he report to this Council monthly or oftener his transactions in respect thereto and his receipts and disbursements in connection therewith.

RESOLVED FURTHER that said Chauncey L. Hight shall not be limited in the amount of such foods purchased as aforesaid by the amount of money appropriated as aforesaid, but shall have power to use also, for the purchase of such foods, any money received by him as proceeds of sale of such foods.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

POLICE by Chairman McDonough:

Reported bills correct, Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING by Chairman Force:

File communication Allen E. Beals.

Reported back communication from Mr. Allen E. Beals respecting pole "P.S.E. 362", and moved same be filed, as the matter has been attended to. So ordered.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

ALMS by Chairman Hull:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE by Chairman Graves:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES by Chairman Lovell:

No report.

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NEW BUSINESS.

Distribution of circulars about city by aeroplane referred to Corporation Counsel

Councilman Force called attention to the recent practice of the distribution by airplane of printed circulars about the city, in violation of the city ordinance and moved the matter be referred to the Corporation Counsel for his opinion as to just what action the Council can take in the premises. So ordered.

Plainfield Ave. need temporary repairs.

Councilman Force called attention to the condition of Plainfield Avenue from Fifth Street to Front Street. Councilman Condict, Chairman of the Street Committee, reported that it is too late in the season to continue the concrete pavement from Fifth Street to Front Street, but that Plainfield Avenue would receive temporary repairs.

AUDITING by Chairman Maynard:

Reported all claims presented as correct, and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

Resolution Pay claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the General pay roll for the 2nd half of July 1919 amounting to 540.83

Claims appearing on the Miscellaneous Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to 40945.87
(including redemption of $40,000.00 of Sewer Extension notes.)

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 2nd half of July 1919 amounting to 491.24

Claims appearing on the Tax Department Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to 4.25

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 2nd half of July 1919 amounting to 120.83

Claims appearing on the District Court Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to 15.00

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 2nd half of July 1919 amounting to 62.50

Claims appearing on the City Court Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to 4.95

Claims appearing on the Publishing and Advertising Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to	122.74
Claims appearing on the Muhlenberg Hospital Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to	2385.30
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 2nd half of July 1919 amounting to	1837.76
Claims appearing on the Street Department Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to	3815.08
Claims appearing on the Street Improvement 1916 Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to	9.76
Claims appearing on the Permanent Pavement 1917 Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to	6.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the Permanent Pavement 1919 pay roll for the 2nd half of July 1919 amounting to	439.55
Claims appearing on the Permanent Pavement 1919 Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to	23641.64
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 2nd half of July 1919 amounting to	220.66
Claims appearing on the Sewer Department Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to	670.61
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the Sewer Extension pay roll for the 2nd half of July 1919 amounting to	19.85
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the Shade Tree Commission's pay roll for the 2nd half of July 1919 amounting to	140.44
Claims appearing on the Shade Tree Commission's Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to	1.00
Claims appearing on the Street Lighting Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to	1689.97
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the Police Department pay roll for the 2nd half of July 1919 amounting to	1384.29

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Claims appearing on the Police Department Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to	319.32
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the Fire Department pay roll for the 2nd half of July 1919 amounting to	1751.24
Claims appearing on the Fire Department Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to	475.88
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Inspector for the 2nd half of July 1919 amounting to	45.84
Claims appearing on the Building Inspector Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to	4.29
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 2nd half of July 1919 amounting to	135.41
Claims appearing on the Poor Department Appropriation Account dated August 4, 1919 amounting to	595.29
Total -	$ 81897.39

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, McDonough, Maynard, Lovell and Sminck and President Hylan.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J. Carroll

City Clerk.

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Monday Evening, August 18, 1919.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard. Absent, Councilman Sminck.

Minutes of regular meeting held August 4th were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

File guarantee title Fidelity Trust Co.

Guarantee of Title No. 33361, Fidelity Trust Co. to the City, covering strip of land on DeKalb Avenue purchased from Charles H. Hand, was presented and ordered filed.

File contract N. Y. Telephone Co.

Contract between the New York Telephone Co. and the City, for telephone service in the City Hall Library, duly executed, was presented and ordered filed.

Comm. Codington & Blatz re widening Watchung Ave.

Communication from Codington & Blatz, dated Aug. 16th, for their client Nathan Meyers, inquiring when the City contemplates widening Watchung Avenue, as Mr. Meyers proposes erecting a building at #115 Watchung Avenue in the near future. Referred to the Street Committee.

Petition Stanley B. Krom Mfg. Co. install gasoline tank.

Petition from Stanley B. Krom Mfg. Co. for permission to install a gasoline tank at #1817 West Front Street. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Petition Selino Venezia install street lights

Petition from Selino Venezia and others for installation of a street light at the corner of Wiley Avenue and McCrea Place, and for one on McCrea Place. Referred to the Street Lighting Committee.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:

Mayors Comm. transmitting petition against trackless trolley on Park Ave.

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, transmitting petition from Stuart H. Patterson and others, protesting against the granting of a franchise for a trackless trolley on Park Avenue. Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Communication re appointment Edward Colfax as regular fireman

Communication was received from the Acting Mayor appointing Edward Colfax as a regular fireman. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Opinion Corporation Counsel re dropping circulars from aeroplanes over City

Opinion of the Corporation Counsel, dated August 15th, was read respecting the dropping of circular over the City from Aeroplanes, and referred to the Laws & Ordinances Committee.

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File report Clerk District Court

Report of the Clerk of the District Court for the month of July was read and ordered filed.

File Supplemental Debt Statement

Supplemental debt statement of the treasurer as of August 18th, that the percentage that the net debt bears to the average assessed valuation is 4.7%, was read and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

CITY HALL BUILDING BY COUNCILMAN ACKERMAN:

No report.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY COUNCILMAN CONDICT:

Offered the following resolution for preparation of form on which to report out-of-town telephone calls, and to have reports made thereon:

Resolution Preparation of form for out-of-town calls.

RESOLVED, That the City Auditor be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to have prepared proper forms on which may be entered all out-of-town telephone calls made by any officer or employee of the City of Plainfield, which will enable the City Auditor to check such out-of-town telephone calls with the out-of-town calls appearing on the bills of the New York Telephone Company as rendered to the City;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the City Auditor supply the officers and employees of the City with such forms as above outlined together with such explanation as may be necessary to carry these instructions into effect.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That all officers and employees enter on the abovementioned forms all out-of-town calls indicating in the proper column whether the call is made for City business or private purposes, together with the initial of the person making such call, and forward the statement to the City Auditor at the close of each calendar month;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That such officer or employee shall pay to the City Auditor the amount of any calls made for private purposes, taking his receipt therefor, when the City Auditor shall have determined the amount thereof.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the requirements of this resolution go into effect as and from September 1, 1919.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough and Maynard and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $3,000 for flagging and curbing work:

Resolution Borrow $3000 for flagging and curbing work

RESOLVED, That Three Thousand Dollars ($3000.) be borrowed for sidewalk and curbing purposes in anticipation of the collection of assessments (contract between the City of Plainfield and the Wilson Concrete Company dated July 8, 1919) and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of the City, demand note in said sum of $3,000.00 at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough and Maynard and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY CHAIRMAN CONDICT:

Offered the following resolution to proceed with preliminary work toward introduction of an ordinance to improve East and West Fifth Streets, Plainfield Avenue and West Front Street:

Resolution Proceed with work preliminary to introduction of ordinance

RESOLVED, That the Street Committee be authorized to proceed with the work preliminary to the introduction of an ordinance to improve East and West Fifth Street from Watchung Avenue to Plainfield Avenue, Plainfield Avenue from West Fifth Street to West Front Street and West Front Street from Plainfield Avenue to City Line.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough and Maynard and President Hylan.

In connection with the foregoing resolution, Chairman Condict reported that the Street Committee considered it would be advisable to hold an informal hearing and in ac-

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cordance therewith had prepared a letter to be sent to the property owners along the streets specified, which letter was presented and read, calling for a meeting to be held Wednesday, August 27th, and which letter is as follows:

State Highway through Plainfield

To Whom It May Concern:

Letter to be sent to property owners on streets to be improved for State Highway notifying them of meeting to be held Aug 27th.

The State Highway Commission has decided to designate a route which approaches Plainfield from the East by way of South Avenue and which leaves Plainfield by way of West Front Street through Dunellen.

The route through the City has not been finally determined, although the Common Council of the City and the Highway Commission have both expressed the opinion that the route should follow Fifth Street from South Avenue at Richmond Street to Plainfield Avenue, thence on Plainfield Avenue to West Front Street and thence on that street to Dunellen. In this connection it should be stated that no widening of any street is contemplated. Paving, curbing and storm sewers will be required on the route through the City finally determined upon. The State will contribute toward the expense of this improvement and the Highway Commission has tentatively set aside $100,000 for that purpose.

Inasmuch as it will, in any event, be necessary to pave West Fifth Street, Plainfield Avenue and West Front Street within a short time, it would seem greatly to the advantage of persons owning property on the proposed route, as well as to the City to get the benefit of this contribution from the State, since it will reduce the total amount to be paid by those specially benefited and by the taxpayers at large by that sum, $100,000.

For the purpose of giving all persons interested an opportunity to express their views, the Street Committee of the Common Council will meet at the City Hall on Wednesday, August 27th, 1919 at 8 o'clock P. M., at which time and place you are cordially invited to be present and prepared to give the Committee the benefit of your opinion.

G. HERBERT CONDICT
Chairman Street Committee.

Dated, August 18, 1919.

Chairman Condict requested that each member of the Council attend this meeting.

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Offered the following resolution designating the Globe Indemnity Co. of New York as an acceptable surety upon bonds to be furnished to the City by contractors or others, and approving of said Company for that purpose:

Resolution designating Globe Indemnity Co as acceptable surety on bonds furnished by contractors

RESOLVED, That the Globe Indemnity Company, of New York, being a corporation authorized to transact such business in the State of New Jersey, and reliably reported to possess financial strength and good reputation, be and is hereby designated as an acceptable surety upon bonds to be furnished to the City of Plainfield by contractors or others, and that said Company be added to the list of those heretofore approved for that purpose.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Mc Donough and Maynard and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution authorizing sale of lot at the corner of West Third Street and Plainfield Avenue;

Resolution authorizing sale of lot corner W. 3rd St and Plainfield Ave.

RESOLVED, That the lot of land belonging to the City and described in Chapter 102 Laws of 1918, which lot is situate on the Southeasterly corner of Plainfield Avenue and West Third Street, and has a frontage on Plainfield Avenue of forty-seven feet and on West Third Street of about one hundred and thirty-two feet, and is about rectangular in shape, having ceased to be convenient or suitable for the uses for which it was acquired, be offered for sale at public auction to the highest bidder under conditions of sale, to be drawn by the Corporation Counsel, which shall include a provision that such sale shall not be consumated unless confirmed by this Common Council and such other provisions as are usual in cases of sale of lands under order of the Court of Chancery of New Jersey.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the time and place of such sale and of the fact that the high bidder will be required to deposit 20% of his bid to be forfeited if he fails to comply with the conditions of sale or returned to him if the Common Council fails to confirm the sale, be advertised in the official newspaper and in the Plainfield Record at least once a week for at least two weeks prior to such auction, and that the same be conducted under the direction of the Chairman of the Street Committee, who is hereby empowered to employ a licensed auctioneer to cry the sale.

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This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilman Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and President Hylan.

File communication Codington & Blatz

Reported back for filing communication from Codington & Blatz respecting widening of Watchung Avenue, with report that the ordinance is being prepared and the work going ahead with all possible speed, and the clerk was requested to so advise the petitioners.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

Suspend rules

Councilman Condict moved regular order of business be suspended for the purpose of holding a public hearing on Sewer Ordinance No. 20. as advertised. So ordered.

Affidavit of Publication

The Clerk submitted affidavit of publication of notice that a public hearing would be held at this time, which notice was ordered received and filed.

Affidavit of A. J. Gavett - notice mailed to each property owner.

The Clerk submitted affidavit of Andrew J. Gavett, Street Commissioner, that notice of the hearing on this ordinance had been mailed to each of the property owners as far as could be ascertained, which affidavit was read and ordered filed.

Public Hearing

The President stated that opportunity is now given all persons interested to be heard for or against the adoption of said ordinance.

Protest of Henry Voorhees against adoption of ordinance.

Mr. Henry Voorhees (for Pearl L. Voorhees) of #1040 Arlington Avenue appeared and protested against the adoption of the said ordinance if he is to be assessed for a portion of the cost, as he could not use the sewer; but he did not object if there was not to be an assessment. Mr. Voorhees was advised that this is a matter he should present to the Commissioners after they are appointed.

The Clerk reported that a map of the proposed Sewer was on his desk for examination if any one wished to examine it.

Hearing closed

After ample opportunity had been given, no one else appearing, and the clerk reporting that no communications had been submitted to him, the President declared the hearing closed.

Sewer Ordinance No. 20.

Councilman Condict called up on second reading the ordinance entitled "Sewer Ordinance No. 20. An Ordinance for the construction of Sanitary Sewers, with Appurtenances including House connections, in Rose Street and Clinton Place", which ordinance was read by the Clerk and is as follows:

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SEWER ORDINANCE NO. 20.

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWERS, WITH APPURTENANCES INCLUDING HOUSE CONNECTIONS, IN ROSE STREET AND CLINTON PLACE.

WHEREAS, there has been constructed in the said City under the provisions of a statute entitled, "An Act to provide for drainage and sewers in Cities of this State", P. L. 1890, p-192 &c., and the various statutes supplemental thereto and amendatory thereof, a system of sewerage and various additions thereto as is referred to in the ordinances of said City on said subject heretofore adopted, to which, for greater certainty reference is hereby made.

AND WHEREAS, the statutes above referred to have been repealed, and in the opinion of the Common Council of said City, further additions to said system of sewerage should now be made under and by virtue of the provisions of Chapter 152, of the Laws of 1917, and amendments and supplements thereto, and the Common Council of said City has so determined and does hereby so determine; THEREFORE:

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

Section 1. That further additions by way of lateral sewers to the system of sewerage already constructed in said City of Plainfield shall be made as a local improvement, under the provisions of Chapter 152 of the Laws of 1917, and statutes supplemental thereto or amendatory thereof, with all the appurtenances necessary to complete such additions, and of the materials and dimensions, and substantially according to the plans and specifications hereinafter mentioned, in and through the streets, avenues, lands, property, and rights of way, and for the distance hereinafter designated.

Section 2. Such additions shall be lateral sanitary sewers and shall be constructed of vitrified pipe eight inches in diameter, buried to a proper depth and connected with the sanitary sewer already existing in Randolph Road and shall extend from such point of connection through and along Rose Street in a Northerly direction for a distance of Nine Hundred and Forty feet to a point near Arlington Avenue, and also lateral sanitary sewer constructed of vitrified pipe eight inches in diameter, buried in like manner and connected with the sanitary sewer already existing in Clinton Avenue and extending from such point of connection through and along Clinton Place in a Northeasterly direction for a distance of Three Hundred and Fifty feet to a point near Clinton Alley.

The sewer so to be constructed shall be equipped with all necessary and proper man-holes, flush tanks, and

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appurtenances, as shown or indicated on or in the plans and specificatioms hereinafter referred to.

Section 3. In connection with the construction of said sewers there shall be laid and installed, house connections from such sewer to the curb line of the street in which the sewer is constfucted. Such house connections shall be of cast iron pipe, four inches in diameter, and one shall be laid and installed from the sewer to the curb line in front of each building which now exists on any lot abutting on either side of the street through which the sewer is constructed and as shown on a certain map and plans entitled: "Sewer Ordinance No.20. Map and plans for the construction of sanitary sewers, with appurtenances including house connections, in Rose Street and Clinton Place," which map and plans have been prepared and will be exhibited at every hearing on this subject held by the Common Council of the City of Plainfield . The cost of such house connection shall be assessed against the lot or plot benefited.

Section 4. Such sewers, with the appurtenances house connections, etc., shall be constructed in substantial compliance with said map and plans and with specifications entitled: "Sewer Ordinance No. 20. Specifications for the construction of sanitary sewers, with appurtenances including house connections, in Rose Street and Clinton Place, including information for bidders, form of proposal, contract and bond," which map, plans and specifications are all filed in the office of the City Clerk on August 4, 1919, and which map, plans and specifications are hereby approved. All work shall be given out upon contract to the lowest responsible bidder after public advertisement in the manner provided by law.

Section 5. It is estimated that the cost of the work contemplated by this ordinance will be Four Thousand Five Hundred dollars ($4,500.) and the Common Council of the City of Plainfield does hereby appropriate that sum to be applied to and used for that purpose.

Section 6. Upon the completion of said work there shall be levied in the manner provided by law, an assessment for benefits on the property benefited or increased in value by said work or improvement, in addition to the assessment for house connections specified in Section 3 hereof, which said assessment shall in each case be as near as may be in proportion to the peculiar benefit, advantage or increase in value which the respective lots or parcels of land and real estate legally liable to such assessments shall have received by reason of such work or improvement, and in no case shall any such assessment on any parcel or lot of land exceed in amount such peculiar benefit, advantage or increase in value, nor shall the total benefits assessed exceed the total cost

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and expense of the work or improvement. Should the said cost and expense exceed the total amount of such benefits so assessed, the excess thereof shall be paid by the City at large and raised by general tax.

Section 7. For the purpose of providing for the payment of the costs and expenses of said work and improvements and of the house connections, in advance of the collection of assessments for benefits, the Common Council, in pursuance of the provisions of the said Chapter 152 of the Laws of 1917, and of the provisions of Chapter 252 of the Laws of 1916, approved March 22, 1916, and statutes supplemental thereto or amendatory to either thereof, shall by resolution authorize the issuing from time to time of temporary notes or temporary bonds of the City of Plainfield, which said resolution shall fix the maximum interest thereon not exceeding six per cent per annum, said notes or bonds shall state in general terms the purpose for which they are issued; sahll be payable on demand or mature not exceeding five years from the date when the purpose for which they were issued has been carried out, or subject to earlier call for payment, and issued as the said Common Council may provide, such notes or bonds so issued shall be paid or funded within five years after the purpose for which they are issued has been carried out.

Section 8. That it is hereby determined and declared as follows:

(a) The probable period of the usefulness of the aforesaid lateral sewers and appurtenances is forty years.

(b) The average assessed valuation of the taxable real property (including improvements) of the City of Plainfield, computed upon the next preceeding three valuations thereof by the statement filed under Section 12 of Chapter 252 of the Laws of 1916 is $28,082,159.00.

(c) The net debt of the City of Plainfield computed in the manner provided in said Section 12 of said last mentioned Act is 4 7/10% of said rateables.

(d) The statement required by Section 12 of said last mentioned act has been made by the Treasurer of the City of Plainfield, the chief financial officer of said City, and filed in the office of the Clerk thereof as required by said last mentioned act.

Section 9. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Adoption of Ordinance

Councilman Condict moved adoption of theordinance on second reading and final passage. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilman Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and President Hylan.

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Rules further suspended

Councilman Condict moved rules be further suspended for the purpose of receiving bids for school bonds, as advertised. So ordered.

Affidavit of Publication

The Clerk presented affidavit of publication of notice that the Council would receive bids for $140,000 of school bonds, which was ordered received and filed.

Receive bids for $140,000 School Bonds

The President stated that the hour had arrived to receive bids for the $140,000 of school bonds as advertised, and that if there were any persons present desirous of submitting bids, they should now present them.

The clerk reported 11 bids received.

The President asked if there were any others present desiring to submit bids, stating that no bids would be received after the clerk commenced to open the bids.

After ample opportunity had been given no other bids being presented, the President appointed Councilmen Lovell and Maynard to assist the clerk in opening the bids, which are as follows;

Bids

J. S. Ripple & Co.	$140,888.00	for $134,000.
Frazier & Co.	140,256.80	for 136,000.
Biddle and Henry	140,855.20	for 136,000.
Harris Forbes & Company	140,794.20	for 135,000.
Hornblower & Weeks and B. J. Van Ingen & Co.	140,077.00	for 137,000.
State Trust Company	140,730.00	for 139,000.
Geo. B. Gibbons & Co.	140,501.00	for 135,000.
Eldredge and Company	140,746.40	for 136,000.
A. B. Leach & Co. Inc.	140,013.00	for 135,000.
Outwater and Wells	140,659.27	for 137,000.
R. M. Grant & Company	140,120.80	for 136,000.

Detailed bids filed in the office of the City Clerk.

On motion the bids were referred to the Finance Committee.

Councilman Condict moved Council take a recess for ten minutes. So ordered.

Council subsequently came to order, and roll call showed all members present except Councilman Sminck.

Councilman Condict offered the following resolution accepting bid of J. S. Ripple & Co.:

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Resolution accepting bid J. S. Rippel Co.

WHEREAS, J. S. Rippel & Co. bidding $140,888.00 for One Hundred Thirty-four (134) 1919 School bonds of $1000. each is the highest bidder in response to advertisement for bids duly published pursuant to resolution of this Council adopted July 21, 1919:

RESOLVED, that said bid of said J. S. Rippel & Co. of $140,888.00 for said 134 bonds of $1000.00 each, be and the same is hereby accepted.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Mc Donough, Maynard and President Hylan.

Councilman Condict offered the following resolution to return the checks of the unsuccessful bidders:

Resolution return checks to unsuccessful bidders

RESOLVED, That the checks of the unsuccessful bidders for the $140,000.00 School Bonds be returned to them by the City Treasurer.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and President Hylan.

Councilman Condict moved Council return to regular order of business. So ordered.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HIGHT:

Reported back for filing communication from the Acting Mayor appointing Edward Colfax a regular Fireman and offered the following resolution confirming the same:

Resolution Regular Member Fire Department

RESOLVED, That this Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor the Acting Mayor, of

EDWARD COLFAX

as a Regular Member of the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield, as and from July 14, 1919.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

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PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Offered the following resolution to dispose of the grand stand, etc., at Parker Field:

Resolution dispose of grand stand etc. at Parker Field.

RESOLVED, That the Chairman of the Public Affairs Committee be authorized to dispose of the old grand stand, and other similar property belonging to the City on Parker Field after publicly offering the same.

This resolution was adoptedupon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Mc Donough, Maynard and President Hylan.

File Mayor's com. with protest from S. H. Patterson

Reported back for filing the Mayor's communication with protest from S. H. Patterson and others against granting franchise for a trackless trolley on Park Avenue, and moved that the clerk notify the petitioners. So ordered.

Verbal report by Mr. Hight of food stuffs purchased.

Reported that immediately after the last meeting of the Council at which meeting a resolution was adopted appropriating $10,000 for purchase of food stuffs, the Committee held a meeting and decided upon what materials should be purchased and since which time Mr. Hight, who was designated to handle this matter, had held two sales; and upon request Mr. Hight rendered a verbal report.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

Reported that the petition from Steve Cisco and others for extension of gas mains in Everett Place, had been referred to the Public Service Gas Co., and presented their reply which was read and is as follows:

Letter Public Service Gas Co in re extension gas mains in Everett Place

Aug. 8, 1919.

Mr. A. E. Force
1014 West Front St.,
City.

Dear Sir:

In reply to my requisition for extension of gas main on Everett Place, this City, in response to petition of Steve Sisco and others, beg to advise this main can be run upon payment by applicants of $700.00, under our five year deposit agreement, whereby 20% of amount paid will be refunded each year

for five years (5), with 6% interest, provided no refund shall exceed 50% of the income derived from the extension during the year.

Yours very truly,
W. R. CAUSBROOK
Agent.

WRC/EMD

File communication from. Public Service Gas Co.

Moved that the communication from the Public Service Gas Co. be filed and the petitioners advised, and further that the petitioners can take the matter to the Public Utilities Commission if they so desire.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSES BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Reported all claims presented as correct, and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

Resolution Pay Claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the General pay roll for the 1st half of August 1919, amounting to	540.84
Claims appearing on the Miscellaneous Appropriation Account dated August 18, 1919 amounting to	599.30
Claims appearing on the Street Improvement Bond Appropriation Account dated August 18, 1919 amounting to	3000.00
Claims appearing on the Interest Appropriation Account of the Street Improvement Bonds dated August 18, 1919, amounting to	405.00
Claims appearing on the Interest Appropriation Account of the Evergreen Av. School Bonds dated August 18, 1919, amounting to	2160.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 1st half of August 1919, amounting to	220.43

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 1st half of August 1919, amounting to	62.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 1st half of August 1919, amounting to	120.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Inspector for the 1st half of August 1919, amounting to	45.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 1st half of August 1919, amounting to	1982.08
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the 1919 Permanent Pavement Account for the 1st half of August 1919, amounting to	366.79
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 1st half of August 1919, amounting to	85.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 1st half of August 1919, amounting to	228.07
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 1st half of August 1919, amounting to	1206.07
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 1st half of August 1919, amounting to	1640.38
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 1st half of August 1919, amounting to	137.66
Total -	12800.79

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Mc Donough, Maynard and President Hylan.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J Carroll

City Clerk.

Tuesday Evening, Sept. 2, 1919.

Regular meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Condict, Graves, Hull, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck. Absent, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hight and Lovell.

Minutes of regular meeting held August 18th were read and approved.

Councilman Ackerman and Lovell came in while minutes were being read.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

File Insurance Policy dwelling Stable Rock Ave.

Insurance policy, Continental No. 10852, for $4000 on dwelling & stable on the northwesterly side of Rock Avenue about 450 feet from West Front St. for three years from August 21, 1919, was presented and ordered filed.

Petition install gas. tank- R.E. Mosher.

Petition from Richard E. Mosher for permission to install a gasoline tank at #123 East Second Street. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Comm. State Board of Health re. sewer extensions Rose St. Clinton Place

Communication of August 19th from the State Board of Health was presented and read, submitting copy of a resolution adopted by said Board at a meeting thereof held August 12, 1919, respecting sewer extensions in Rose Street and Clinton Place, which said resolution approves the plans therefor. Ordered received and filed.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:

Reports filed City Clerk, Collector, Treasurer, Overseer of Poor

Report of the City Clerk, of the Collector, of the Treasurer and Overseer of the Poor for the month of August were each presented, read and ordered filed.

File report sewer permits

Report of the Street Commissioner of sewer permits granted during the month of August (19) was read and ordered filed.

File Supplemental Debt statement

The Clerk presented the Supplemental Debt Statement of the Treasurer showing the net debt of the City to be 4.7% of the average assessed valuation. The same was ordered filed.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

CITY HALL BUILDING BY COUNCILMAN ACKERMAN:

No report.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

Offered the following resolution to borrow $23,000 for 1919 street paving account:

Resolution borrow $23,000 1919 Street Paving Account

RESOLVED, That Twenty-three Thousand Dollars ($23,000.00) be borrowed for 1919 Permanent Pavement Purposes (ordinance adopted by the Common Council April 29, 1919) in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Twenty-three Thousand Dollars ($23,000.00) at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative namely Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY CHAIRMAN CONDICT:

Report of hearing on State Highway route through City

Reported that on last Wednesday evening the Committe held a hearing on the proposed route through the City for the State Highway, that the Committee sent out 330 notices to property owners who might be affected, and had as much publicity as possible in the papers, and in spite of that there was a comparatively small attendance, about 75 or 80, and all members of the Council being present except President Hylan and Mr. Sminck; that the Committee went over the matter on Friday evening and felt there was nothing new either for or against the proposition which was brought up, and that therefore the Committee would not change their decision in regard to the proposed route; and that the next step was to find out what kind of a contract the City can make with the State with respect to their participation in the improvement, and offered the following resolution that the Chairman of the Street Committee negotiate tentatively a contract with the State Highway Commission:

Resolution Chairman Street Committee negotiate tentative contract with State Highway Commission

RESOLVED, That the Chairman of the Street Committee be authorized to negotiate tentatively a contract with the State Highway Commission for improvements of Fifth Street from Watchung Avenue to Plainfield Avenue, Plainfield Avenue from West Fifth Street to West Front Street and that street from Plainfield Avenue westerly to the City line as a route for State Highway traffic through Plainfield and to report such tentative con-

tract to this Council for its consideration.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan. (Councilman Force came in just previous to the calling of the roll on this resolution).

Offered the following report in connection with sale of lot at the corner of West Third Street and Plainfield Avenue; which was read and ordered filed:

Report Chairman
re sale of lot corner
West Third Street
and Plainfield Ave.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen:-

Pursuant to your resolution directing me to offer the Plainfield Ave. & 3rd St. lot for sale at public auction, under conditions of sale drawn by the Corporation Counsel, after advertising such sale in the official newspaper and the Plainfield Record, I beg to report that I caused to be published in the Plainfield Courier-News the official newspaper, and in the Plainfield Record on August 22nd and 29th, 1919 advertisements of sale of said lot, a copy whereof is attached to the conditions of sale drawn by the Corporation Counsel and herewith handed you for filing, together with the acknowledgement of the purchaser thereto.

The auction was held on the lot in question on Tuesday, September 2nd, 1919 as advertised. There were a number of bidders and the property was finally struck off to Jacob Pashin, the highest bidder, for $2781.85, who thereupon have his check for 20% thereof, viz: $556.37 which I hand you herewith. In addition to the advertisements above mentioned the sale was also given wide publicity by news items and in my judgment the amount bid for the property as above stated is the best price in cash which could be obtained therefor and represents its fair full value. I therefore recommend that the sale be confirmed by this Council and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute deed in the name of the City to the purchaser and to deliver the same to him upon his compliance with the conditions of sale and payment by him of the balance of the purchase price.

Respectfully,

G. HERBERT CONDICT
Chairman Street Committee.

Dated September 2, 1919.

of lot Offered the following resolution confirming sale at the corner of West Third Street and Plainfield Avenue, with conditions of sale:

Resolution confirming sale of lot and conditions of sale.

RESOLVED that the sale to Jacob Pashin for Two Thousand Seven hundred Eighty-one dollars and Eighty-five cents ($2781.85) of the lot of land corner of Plainfield Avenue and West Third Street, reported to this Council by the Chairman of the Street Committee on this date, be and is hereby confirmed and that the Mayor and City Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute in the name of the City, and deliver to said purchaser, warranty deed for said lot upon his compliance with the conditions of sale and payment of the balance of the purchase price. Also that the proceeds of said sale be delivered to the City Treasurer and by him credited to the Surplus Revenue Account.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to advertise for bids of sewer work under ordinance No. 20; to be received October 6th:

Resolution advertise for bids sewer work under ordinance No. 20

RESOLVED, That this Common Council will meet at the Council Chambers in the Municipal Building, Plainfield, N. J., on Monday, October 6, 1919, at 8:30 o'clock p.m., at which time and place it will receive sealed bids for doing the work and furnishing the materials for sewers in Rose Street and Clinton Place as contemplated in the ordinance entitled "Sewer Ordinance No. 20. An Ordinance for the Construction of Sanitary Sewers, With Appurtenances Including House Connections, in Rose Street and Clinton Place." as provided for in the plans and specifications, etc., approved by the Common Council on August 4th and filed in the office of the City Clerk on that date.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the City Clerk give public notice thereof by advertisement published once in the official newspaper, the Plainfield Courier-News, at least ten days prior to said 6th day of October, 1919, substantially in the form hereto annexed.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That at the said meeting the Common Council will proceed to publicly open all such sealed bids as may be then and there received, and to record the same and to announce the contents thereof in the presence of the parties bidding or

their agents if they or any of them choose to be then and there present, and to act in respect to such bids in all respects as provided by law; the Common Council hereby expressly reserving the right to reject any and all bids.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck, and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution authorizing the Corporation Counsel to incur certain expenses in connection with suit growing out of street improvement assessments:

Resolution authorizing Corporation Counsel to incur certain expense in connection with suit street improvement assessments

RESOLVED, That the Corporation Counsel be and is authorized to incur such expense as he may deem necessary for stenographers, witness, maps, photographs, taking and printing of testimony and briefs and other matters, incident to properly presenting to the Supreme Court in controversy under the Rules to show cause granted thereby in the matters connection with the assessments for benefits for street improvements confirmed by the Court of Common Pleas of Union County July 25, 1919.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck, and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY COUNCILMAN GRAVES:

Grant petition to install gasoline tank

Reported back petition of S. V. Krom Mfg. Co. for permit to install a gasoline tank at No. 1817 West Front Street, and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

No report.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN MCDONOUGH:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

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STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

Reported back petition from Selino Venezia and others for light at the corner of Wiley Avenue and McCrea Place and for a light on McCrea Place midway between Wiley Av. and McCrea Place, and asked if these streets had been accepted by the City. The Street Commissioner reported that they were not accepted streets. Moved that the City Clerk notify the petitioners to have the street accepted before their petition for lights could be granted; and to that end they take up with the Street Department what is necessary to have the street accepted. Adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reports back petition Selino Venezia for street lights. City Clerk to notify petitioners to have streets accepted before petition will be granted.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Condict reported for the Street Committee, that he had expected to present the ordinance for the widening of Watchung Avenue this evening but would be unable to, but that he fully expected to introduce the ordinance at the next meeting, September 15th.

Councilman Condict reports will introduce Watchung widening ordinance at next meeting

Councilman Sminck offered the following resolution with regard to the re-enactment of the Daylight Saving Law:

WHEREAS:- The law now in operation known as Daylight Saving has proved of economic advantage to the country; it saves coal, artificial light and heat and conserves the natural resources of the nation. It has contributed considerably to the food supplies of the people by giving added light at the close of the day this stimulating home gardening, and

WHEREAS:- Various commercial bodies and municipalities are again expressing themselves on this subject with the idea that the benefits of that wise act of legislation shall be preserved to the people, now therefore be it

Resolution regard re-enactment Daylight Saving Law

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RESOLVED:- By the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Plainfield that we request our representatives in Congress to use their utmost powers to the end that the question may in some way be re-opened in Congress so that legislation may be initiated with the object of a continuance of existing benefits, and be it further

RESOLVED:- That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the Senators in Congress from New Jersey and to the Representative in Congress from the Fifth Congressional District.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Filling in of Green Brook below Elm Street bridge.

Councilman Sminck offered a resolution respecting the filling in of Green Brook just below the Elm Street bridge. Councilman Force moved that the City Engineer look over this condition and report to the Corporation Counsel. So ordered. Councilman Sminck then withdrew his resolution and submitted photographs of the filling in of the Brook referred to, which were also referred to the City Engineer.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Reported all claims presented as correct, and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

Resolution Pay claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:-

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the General pay roll for the 2nd half of August 1919, amounting to	540.84
Claims appearing on the Miscellaneous Appropriation Account dated September 2, 1919 amounting to (including 6375.00 for interest on Joint Sewer Bonds)	7398.42
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Inspector for the 2nd half of August 1919, amounting to	45.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 2nd half of August 1919, amounting to	220.43
Claims appearing on the Tax Department Appropriation Account dated September 2, 1919, amounting to	186.22
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 2nd half of August 1919, amounting to	120.83
Claims appearing on the District Court Appropriation Account dated September 2, 1919 amounting to	39.50

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 2nd half of August 1919, amounting to	62.50
Claims appearing on the City Court Appropriation Account dated September 2, 1919, amounting to	9.40
Claims appearing on the Publishing and Advertising Appropriation Account dated September 2, 1919 amounting to	115.44
Claims appearing on the City's share of Street Benefits Appropriation Account dated September 2, 1919 amounting to	2500.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 2nd half of August 1919, amounting to	1817.33
Claims appearing on the Street Department Appropriation Account dated September 2, 1919 amounting to	3849.56
Claims appearing on the Permanent Pavement 1917 Appropriation Account, dated September 2, 1919, amounting to	6.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Permanent Pavement 1919 Account for the 2nd half of August 1919, amounting to	237.73
Claims appearing on the Permanent Pavement 1919 Account dated September 2, 1919 amounting to	23022.24
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Watchung Avenue Widening Account for the 2nd half of August 1919, amounting to	49.25
Claims appearing on the Street Lighting Appropriation Account dated September 2, 1919, amounting to	1689.97
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 2nd half of August, 1919, amounting to	173.50
Claims appearing on the Sewer Department Appropriation Account dated September 2, 1919 amounting to	331.85
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 2nd half of August 1919, amounting to	111.00
Claims appearing on the Shade Tree Commission Appropriation Account dated September 2, 1919 amounting to	11.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the police Department for the 2nd half of August 1919, amounting to	1295.19

Claims appearing on the Police Department Appropriation Account dated September 2, 1919 amounting to	187.07
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 2nd half of August 1919, amounting to	1576.81
Claims appearing on the Fire Department Appropriation Account dated September 2, 1919, amounting to	423.72
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 2nd half of August 1919, amounting to	136.92
Claims appearing on the Poor Department Appropriation Account dated September 2, 1919, amounting to	984.04
	$ 47142.60

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Adjourn

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J. Carroll

City Clerk.

Monday Evening, Sept. 15, 1919.

Regular meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan, and Councilmen Condict, Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck. Absent, Councilmen Ackerman, Hight and McDonough.

Amend minutes

Minutes of regular meeting held Sept. 2nd were read, amended by changing the vote on the petition for lights on McCrea Place to all present voting in the affirmative except Councilman Sminck who voted in the negative, and approved as amended.

Councilman Hight came in while minutes were being read.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Petition A. E. Hoagland oiled and tarred

Petition of A. E. Hoagland and others to have West Front Street from Washington to Grant Avenue, and Plainfield Ave. from the Railroad to Front Street, oiled or tarred. Referred to the Street Committee.

Communication Senator Edge + Congressman Ackerman will champion daylight saving policy

Communication of Sept. 5th from Senator Edge, and of Sept. 8th from Congressman Ackerman, acknowledging receipt of copy of resolution adopted by the Council urging the re-adoption of a Daylight Saving Law, were received and read, both advising that they will continue to champion that policy. Ordered received and filed.

Petition East End Civic Assn. sidewalk on E. 2nd Street.

Petition from the East End Civic Assn. for sidewalk on East Second Street from a point near Hillcrest Ave. to Wiley Avenue. Referred to the Street Committee.

Petition East End Civic Assn. for street lights.

Petition from the East End Civic Assn. for installation of the following street lights: Five on East Second Street; one between Berckman Street and McKinley Place, one between Wiley Avenue and Terrill Road; three between Hillcrest Avenue and Wiley Avenue. Referred to the Street Lighting Committee.

Petition East End Civic Assn. for sidewalks

Petition from the East End Civic Assn. for installation of the following sidewalks: on easterly side of Johnston Avenue between East Second and Front Streets; on northeasterly side of East Second Street between Johnston and Netherwood Avenues; on the southerly side of North Avenue between Jackson and Watson Avenues. Referred to the Street Committee.

Petition Harold Groves to install gasoline tank

Petition of Harold Groves for permission to install a 500-gallon gasoline tank at 408 Plainfield Avenue. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Deed of Chas. H. Hand to the City covering a nine

File deed Chas. N. Ward to City 9' strip of land on DeKalb Ave.

inch strip of land on DeKalb Avenue, Plainfield, the same having been recorded in Union County Register's office, was submitted by the Corporation Counsel, and ordered received and filed.

Petition S. H. Schwardz move hydrant.

Petition from S. H. Schwardz of #624 West Front Street to have a hydrant moved from in front of his property that he may build a driveway. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:

Communication Corporation Counsel submitting copy of letter to Jersey Silk Mills, Bd. Freeholders Somerset and Union Counties respecting filling of natural channel of Green Brook

Communication of Sept. 4, 1919, was received from the Corporation Counsel, submitting copy of letter of Sept. 4th which he had written to the Jersey Silk Mills, to the Board of Freeholders of Somerset County and to the Board of Freeholders of Union County, respecting the filling in of the natural channel of Green Brook, which letters were read, and are as follows:

September 4, 1919.

Honorable Common Council
of the City of Plainfield,
Care John J. Carroll, Esq
City Clerk
Plainfield, N. J.
Gentlemen:-

Please find enclosed for your files copy of letter sent by registered mail, this date, to Jersey Silk Mills, and copy of letters enclosing copy of the first letter, mailed to-day to the Board of Freeholders of Union County and to the Board of Freeholders of Somerset County.

Yours very truly,
CHARLES A. REED.

CAR:C
Encls.

September 4, 1919.

Jersey Silk Mills,
Chatham St.,
No. Plainfield, N. J.
Gentlemen:-

The Common Council of the City of Plainfield has instructed me to notify you as follows:-

It has been brought to the attention of said Common Council that you are filling up land which has for time immemorial been part of the high water bed of Green Brook, and are by such filling also encroaching upon the natural channel of said stream, the center of which channel is the division line between the City of Plainfield and the Borough of North Plainfield and also the line between Union County and Somerset County.

Any such filling must result in obstructing the natural flow of water between the natural banks of the stream, and any change in its natural channel, wven though such change might not retard the flow, will necessarily effect the said City and County line.

As the encroachments upon the stream which you have made and are making are likely to cause damage to certain public highways of the City, demand is hereby made upon you that you forthwith desist from any further encroachments upon the stream and remove all which you have already made. In case of your failure so to do you may expect the City to institute proceedings to compel that action on your part by injunction, and also to bring suit to recover any damages which you may cause to any public property. The matter will also be brought to the attention of the proper authorities of Union County and Somerset County.

The City does not intend to permit unlawful encroachments upon Green Brook which are likely to result in damage to public or private property, either by persons who selfishly desire to add to the value or availability of lands through or along which the stream flows or by others. Your attention is respectfully called to that fact and to the fact that the well settled law of the land forbids any obstruction of the natural flow of water courses by any riparian owner to the damage of others. You will proceed therefore at your own risk.

Respectfully yours,

CAR:G CHARLES A. REED

September 4, 1919.

Board of Freeholders of
Somerset County,
Court House,
Somerville, N. J.

Gentlemen:-

Please find enclosed copy of letter to Jersey Silk Mills of North Plainfield, N.J. which will explain itself. Not only is the County line involved but the bridges thereon or some of them are said to be endangered. Please acknowledge receipt of same, and oblige,

Yours very truly,

CAR:G CHARLES A. REED
Encls.

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September 4, 1919.

Board of Freeholders,
Union County,
Court House,
Elizabeth, N. J.

Gentlemen:-

Please find enclosed copy of letter to Jersey Silk Mills of North Plainfield, N. J. which will explain itself. Not only is the County line involved but the bridges thereon or some of them are said to be endangered. Please acknowledge receipt and oblige,

Yours very truly,

CHARLES A. REED

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Referred to Street Committee

Referred to the Street Committee to be held until such time as they can report whether the request made by the Corporation Counsel has been carried out.

File report District Court

Report of the Clerk of the District Court for the Month of August was read and ordered filed.

File Supplemental Debt Statement

Supplemental debt statement of the Treasurer, showing the average net debt as of September 10th to be 4.9%, was presented and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

CITY HALL BUILDING BY COUNCILMAN CONDICT:

No report.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY CHAIRMAN CONDICT:

File Plans Specifications widening Watchung Avenue

Presented Plans and Specifications for the widening of Watchung Avenue in accordance with Improvement Ordinance No. 201, and moved they be filed. So ordered.

Introduced an Ordinance entitled "IMPROVEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 201", which was read for information and is as follows:

Introduce Improvement Ordinance No 201

IMPROVEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 201.

(Being an Ordinance to widen and alter portions of Watchung Avenue between the City line in Greenbrook and the Northwesterly side of the right of way of the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey, and provide for establishing of curb lines, the installation of house connections with sanitary sewers, inlets to storm sewers and the construction of street pavement and other improvements in connection with such widening and also to repeal the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to alter and widen Watchung Avenue, on the Southwesterly side, from East Front Street to a point One Hundred three and sixty-five hundredths feet (103.65) Southeast of East Second Street and on the Northeasterly side from the City Line in Green Brook to East Second Street" approved August 9, 1918)

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield by their Common Council, do enact as follows:-

SECTION 1. The title of this Ordinance is "IMPROVEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 201."

SECTION 2. The Common Council of the City of Plainfield has judged and does hereby judge that the public good requires that Watchung Avenue in said City be widened and altered and its curb lines established in the manner and to the extent in and by this Ordinance hereinafter specified and that the improvement contemplated by this Ordinance be made as a local improvement under and in accordance with the authority and provisions of Chapter 152 of the Laws of 1917 entitled, "An Act concerning Municipalities" approved March 27, 1917 and the acts supplemental thereto and amendatory thereof.

SECTION 3. That Watchung Avenue in the City of Plainfield shall be widened three feet on the Southwesterly side thereof from the Southeasterly side line of East Front Street Southeasterly to the center line of East Second Street and for that purpose a strip of land three feet in depth from the present Southwesterly side line of said portion of said Watchung Avenue shall be taken and included in said street off of the several lots of land bordering thereon and belonging severally to Albert Pittis, J. Fred MacDonald, Plainfield Lodge No. 885 B. P. O. E. and Charles H. Hand, respectively.

SECTION 4. That said Watchung Avenue shall also be widened two and eight tenths (2.8) feet on said Southwesterly side thereof from the center line of East Second Street Southeasterly for a distance of One Hundred and twenty-eight and sixty-four hundredths feet (128.64) measured on the present Southwesterly side line of Watchung Avenue, to the center line of the Alley on the Southeasterly side of property of the Mercer Realty Company, and for that purpose a

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strip of land two and eight tenths feet (2.8) in depth from the present Southwesterly side line of Watchung Avenue shall be taken and included in said street off the several lots of land bordering thereon and belonging severally to Harry B. MacDonald and the Mercer Realty Company respectively.

SECTION 5. That said Watchung Avenue shall also be widened ten feet on the Northeasterly side thereof from the City and County line in Green Brook Southeasterly to the Southeasterly side line of East Second Street and for that purpose a strip of land ten feet in depth from the present Northeasterly side line of Watchung Avenue shall be taken and included in the said street off of the several lots of land bordering thereon and belonging severally to Estate of Hannah Durlach, S. Nusbaum and B. J. Oettinger, Executors etc., Mrs. S. Nussbaum, Edith Durlach, H. I. Durlach, Mr. I. Durlach, and E. Rich, devisees or owners; A. G. Belknap, Inc. Andrew G. Belknap, President, Anson W. Anderson, Charles H. Hand, Nathan Meyers, Hulda Enander, Celia Rosetter and George B. Wean, respectively.

SECTION 6. That said Watchung Avenue shall also be widened on the northeasterly side thereof from the Southeasterly line of the lot of land fronting thereon belonging to the United States of America and occupied for Post Office purposes, Southeasterly to the Northwesterly side line of East Third Street by taking and including in said Watchung Avenue off the lands fronting on that portion thereof belonging to The Trustees of the Rahway and Plainfield Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, the certain strip or parcel of land BEGINNING at the point of intersection of the Northeasterly side line of said Watchung Avenue as now laid out and opened with the Northwesterly side line of East Third Street as now laid out and opened and running thence with said side line of Watchung Avenue Northwesterly a distance of two hundred and thirty three and seventy-one one hundredths (233.71) feet to the Southeasterly line of lands of the United States of America on which stands the Post Office building, thence with said line of that lot Northeasterly a distance of ten and six one hundredths (10.06) feet to a point, thence Southeasterly and parallel with the present Northeasterly side line of Watchung Avenue (through lands of said Trustees) a distance of two hundred and three and ninety-three one hundredths (203.93) feet to a point of curve: thence curving to the left with a radius of thirty (30) feet a distance of forty-six and twelve one hundredths (46.12) feet to a point of tangent in the Northwesterly side line of East Third Street aforesaid. Thence along said

line of East Third Street Southwesterly a distance of thirty-nine and one one-hundredths (39.01) feet to a place of BEGINNING.

SECTION 7. That the lands aforesaid to be taken for the widening aforesaid, shall be acquired as provided in and by the statutes aforesaid and thereupon and thereafter the present curb line on the Southwesterly side of Watchung Avenue shall be and remain as heretofore established but the sidewalk on that side of said street except the roadway at the street intersection shall include all of the land so acquired, the same when so acquired by the City of Plainfield with said exception being designated as sidewalk and devoted to that purpose until further enactment. On the Northeasterly side of Watchung Avenue when the lands hereinbefore described to be taken are acquired by the said City, a new curb line is hereby established twelve feet distant Southwesterly at right angles from the new Northeasterly side line of Watchung Avenue except at East Third Street where the new curb line shall curve to the left with a radius of forty-two feet to connect with the Northwesterly curb line of East Third Street. Thereafter all land between the new Northeasterly curb line and the new Northeasterly side line of Watchung Avenue except roadways at street intersections, shall be devoted to sidewalk purposes and considered and construed to be sidewalk until further enactment on that subject, and the present Northeasterly curb line of Watchung Avenue is thereupon abolished hereby and the roadway of that portion of said street when so widened on the Northeasterly side is hereby increased and extended to the new curb line.

SECTION 8. Immediately after Watchung Avenue has been widened by the taking of lands as hereinbefore specified, the same shall be improved by (1) grading and excavation, (2) construction of new storm water inlets to storm sewers and removal of present inlets, (3) installation of house connections from present sanitary sewer to new curb line on Northeasterly side of the street, and extension of house connections from old to new curb line on said side of street where such extensions may be necessary, (4) removal of all trees now standing between side lines of street as widened, (5) construction of new roadway of new brick pavement, with concrete foundation and abutment at new curb line, between the old and new curb lines on the Northeasterly side of Watchung Avenue where the roadway is widened between the Northwesterly side

line of East Front Street and the Central Railroad of New Jersey, (6) installing where necessary new brick surface on present concrete foundation between the Northeasterly rail of the trolley track on Watchung Avenue and the present Northeasterly curb line of said street between East Front Street and the Central Railroad, (7) paving with macadam the roadway of that portion of Watchung Avenue between the old and new curb line on the Northeasterly side of Watchung Avenue between East Front Street and the bridge over Green Brook on said street.

All of said improvements to be made and work done substantially as shown, described and specified in and by the certain map and plans entitled "Map and Plans for Improvement Ordinance No. 201" and specifications, as entitled "Specifications, including information for bidders, form of proposal, contract and bond for Improvement Ordinance No. 201" which map and plans, specifications etc. have been prepared and will be exhibited at every hearing on or under this ordinance held by the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, are all now filed in the office of the Clerk of said City under date of September 15, 1919 and are all hereby approved. All work therein specified shall be given out upon contract to the lowest responsible bidder after public advertisement in the manner provided by law.

SECTION 9. It is estimated that the cost of the work and improvements contemplated by this ordinance including the value of the land to be taken and the damages which may be awarded therefor will be seventy thousand dollars and the Common Council of the City of Plainfield does hereby appropriate that sum to be used for that purpose.

SECTION 10. Upon the completion of said work and improvements there shall be levied in the manner provided by law, an assessment for benefits on the property benefited or increased in value by said widening, work or improvements, as well as for the cost of said house connections with sewers, which are located and shown on aforesaid map and plans, which assessment shall in each case be as near as may be in proportion to the peculiar benefit, advantage or increase in value which the respective lots or parcels of land and real estate legally liable to such assessments shall have received by reason of such widening, work or improvements, and in no case shall any such assessment on any parcel or lot of land exceed in amount such peculiar benefit, advantage or increase in value nor shall the total benefits assessed exceed the total cost and expense of the work, widening or improvement. Should the said cost and expense exceed the total amount of such benefits so assessed, the excess thereof shall be paid by the City at large and raised by general tax.

SECTION 11. For the purpose of providing for the payment of the costs and expenses of said work, widening and improvements, including the lands to be taken and damages awarded therefor and of the house connections in advance of the collection of assessments for benefits, the Common Council pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 152 of the Laws of 1917, approved March 27, 1917, and of Chapter 252 of the Laws of 1916, approved March 22, 1916, and the statutes supplemental or amendatory to either thereof, shall by resolution authorize the issuing from time to time of temporary notes or bonds of the City of Plainfield, in the manner and under the conditions provided by law.

SECTION12. It is hereby determined and declared as follows:-

(A) The probable period of usefulness of the aforesaid work and improvements is twenty years.

(B) The average assessed valuation of taxable real property (including improvements) of the City of Plainfield, computed upon the next preceeding three valuations thereof by the statement filed under Section 12 of Chapter 252 of the Laws of 1916 is $28,082,159.00.

(C) The net debt of the City of Plainfield computed in the manner provided under Section 12 of said last mentioned act is 4.9 per cent of said rateables.

(D) The statement required by said Section 12 of said last mentioned act has been made by the Treasurer of the City of Plainfield, the chief financial officer of said city, and filed in the office of the Clerk thereof as required by said last mentioned act.

SECTION 13. The Ordinance of the City of Plainfield entitled "An Ordinance to alter and widen Watchung Avenue, on the Southwesterly side from East Front Street to a point One Hundred three and sixty-five hundredths (103.65) feet Southeast of East Second Street and on the Northeasterly side from the City line in Green Brook to East Second Street" approved August 9th, 1918 is hereby repealed.

SECTION 14. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Resolution
Public Hearing
Ordinance
201

Offered the following resolution for a public hearing Oct. 6th on Improvement Ordinance No. 201:

WHEREAS there has been introduced in this body a proposed ordinance entitled "Improvement Ordinance No. 201" which contemplates widening

certain portions of Watchung Avenue between the City Line in Green Brook and the Central Railroad of New Jersey viz: widening said Avenue three feet on the southwesterly side from East Front Street to the Center of East Second Street and two and eight tenths feet from there to the center of the alley adjoining the building of the Mercer Realty Company, and widening Watchung Avenue ten feet on the northeasterly side from the City line in Green Brook to the southeasterly side line of East Second Street and also ten feet from the southeasterly line of the Post Office lot to East Third Street with an additional width at the northerly corner of East Third Street and Watchung Avenue, all as shown on map referred to in the said ordinance. The same also contemplates the taking of land necessary for such widening, changing the curb and sidewalk lines, extension and installation of house connections with sanitary sewers, removal of certain inlets to storm sewer and constructing others, removal of trees, grading and excavation, new brick pavement on concrete foundation with abutment at curb line on northeasterly side of widened street between northwest side of East Front Street and northwest curb line of East Third Street, macadam pavement on widened part of Watchung Avenue northwest of East Front Street resurfacing brick pavement between trolley track and curb line and all work shown on or in map and plans and specifications referred to in said ordinance and now on file in the office of the City Clerk.

RESOLVED that it is the intention of this governing body to consider the undertaking of such improvements and to consider the said ordinance, and that Monday, the sixth day of October, 1919 at 8:30 P. M. is hereby fixed as the time and the Council Chambers in the City Hall Building of the City of Plainfield, as the place when and where this body will meet for such consideration, at which time and place all persons whose lands may be affected by such improvements or who may be interested therein will be given opportunity to be heard concerning such improvement.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the Street Commissioner of said City cause public notice of all of the foregoing to be given by publication in the official newspaper, The Plainfield Courier-News, at least ten days prior to the date so fixed, which notice shall include a copy of these preamble and resolutions and a copy of the said proposed ordinance; and that said Street Commissioner shall also within said time mail a copy of said notice as published, to every person whose lands may be affected by such local improvement, so far as may be ascertained directed to his last

post office address, and shall immediately after doing so take and file with the City Clerk an affidavit showing the persons to whom such notice was mailed, with the addresses used, a copy of the notice and in what newspaper and when the same was published.

A copy of such affidavit together with the affidavit of proof of publication in said newspaper shall be furnished to this body at the hearing.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely Councilmen Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck, and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution for referendum on widening Park Avenue to Pruden's Alley:

Resolution referendum on widening Parking Avenue

RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, being a City of the second class, desires to ascertain the sentiment of the legal voters of such municipality upon the question of whether or not a certain public square should be created, and there being no other statute by which such sentiment can be ascertained by the submission of such question to a vote of the electors in such municipality at any election, such Common Council elects to proceed under Chapter 60 of the Laws of 1917 and does hereby by this resolution adopted at a regular meeting of such Common Council, request the Clerk of the County of Union in which such municipality is situated to print in the manner provided by said act, upon the official ballots to be used in such City at the next ensuing general election, the certain proposition following, to wit:-

The Common Council of the City of Plainfield proposes to widen Park Avenue on the westerly side between ~~South~~ Second Street and Front Street at least about forty feet.

Since Park Avenue in any event will be widened as much as forty feet, do you think the widening should be extended as far as Prudens' Alley so as to create a public square?

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell,

Maynard and Sminck, and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HIGHT:

Reported that the Committee had placed on probationary service Rudolph Waldmann and George Asay, and offered the following resolution confirming such action:

Resolution - Trialmen Fire Dept.

RESOLVED, That the action of the Committee on Fire and Buildings in placing Mr. Rudolph Waldmann and Mr. George Asay on probationary duty in the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield on September 1, 1919 and September 10, 1919, respectively, be, and the same hereby is, approved and ratified.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck, and President Hylan.

Grant petition R. E. Mosher install tank

Reported back petition of Richard E. Mosher for permission to install a gasoline tank at #123 East Second Street, and moved the same be granted. So ordered.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY COUNCILMAN HIGHT:

No report.

POLICE BY COUNCILMAN HULL:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

Offered the following resolution for lights in the City Park:

Resolution install lights City Park

RESOLVED, That the Public Service Electric Corporation be, and it hereby is, directed to install three 32 candle-power lamps in the City Park at such locations as will be designated by the Street Lighting Committee, and also change the location of the one already there to such new location as shall be designated by the Street Lighting Committee.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely Councilman Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Smink, and President Hylan.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

Refuse applic'n Auctioneer's license

Reported back petition of M. Cohen for Auctioneer's license, and moved same be refused. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Condict, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Force, Maynard and Smink and President Hylan.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Sminck offered the following resolution that the City Clerk secure a copy of the ruling of the Public Utilities Commission on the Zone System of trolley fares; which resolution was adopted:

Resolution - City Clerk secure copy of ruling of Public Utilities Com. on Zone System

RESOLVED:- That the City Clerk be instructed to write the Public Utility Commission for a copy of their official ruling establishing the zone system of trolley fares, for the purpose of discovering officially just what length a zone was ordered to measure in every instance.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Motion lost to reconsider vote lights McCrea Place

Councilman Force moved to re-consider the vote on the resolution offered by the Street Lighting Committee at the last meeting respecting lights petitioned for on McCrea Place: Motion lost upon a call of the roll, Councilmen Force, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck voting in the affirmative. Councilman Condict, Graves, and Lovell and President Hylan voting in the negative.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Reported all claims presented as correct, and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

Resolution Pay Claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the General pay roll for the 1st half of September, 1919, amounting to	$540.83
Claims appearing on the Miscellaneous Appropriation Account dated September 15, 1919, amounting to (amount due Custodian of School Funds from proceeds of bond sale)	140000.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 1st half of September, 1919, amounting to	220.42
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 1st half of September, 1919, amounting to	62.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for thelst half of September 1919, amounting to	120.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Inspector for the 1st half of September, 1919, amounting to	45.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 1st half of September, 1919, amounting to	1744.69
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Permanent Pavement, 1919 Account, for the 1st half of September 1919, amounting to	217.51
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Watchung Avenue Widening Account for the 1st half of September, 1919, amounting to	78.77
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 1st half of September, 1919, amounting to	50.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 1st half of September, 1919, amounting to	151.17
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 1st half of September, 1919, amounting to	1214.29
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 1st half of September, 1919, amounting to	1574.55

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 1st half of September, 1919, amounting to 132.42

Total $ 146153.82

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Bronze tablet made from metals recovered from U.S. "Maine" presented. To be hung in appropriate place in City Hall.

The City Clerk presented a bronze tablet, made from metals recovered from the U. S. Battle Ship "MAINE", secured from the U. S. War Dept. under resolution heretofore adopted by this Council. Councilman Sminck moved that the said Tablet be assigned to an appropriate place in the City Hall. So ordered.

Lighting Posts to be installed this week at City Hall

Councilman Hight, for the City Hall Building Committee, reported that the lighting posts at the fence line will be installed this week.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J Carroll

City Clerk.

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Friday Evening, Sept. 26, 1919.

Special Meeting

Special meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Maynard and Sminck. Absent, Councilmen Lovell and McDonough.

The Clerk read the request of three members of the Common Council, that a special meeting be called for Friday, Sept. 26th, at 8:30 o'clock P. M., and the Call as issued by the Clerk and served upon each member of the Council that a special meeting would be held September 26th, which Request and Call are as follows:

September 19, 1919.

John J. Carroll, City Clerk,
Plainfield, N. J.

Dear Sir:-

Request

We, the undersigned, members of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, hereby request that you call a Special Meeting of the Common Council to be held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Plainfield, on September 26th, 1919 for the purpose of reconsidering the resolution concerning the submission of the widening of Park Avenue to the people of Plainfield, which said resolution was adopted by the Common Council at its meeting held September 15, 1919.

Yours truly,

THOS. F. HYLAN
A. E. FORCE
CHARLES S. SMINCK

September 22, 1919.

Call

Dear Sir:-

Having received a request signed by three members of the Common Council to call a special meeting of the Council to be held at the Council Chambers, City Hall, at 8:30 P.M., September 26th, for the purpose of reconsidering the resolution concerning the widening of Park Avenue, adopted September 15, 1919; pursuant to Rule 1, of "Rules of Order of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield" adopted January 1, 1919, I hereby call a Special Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Plain-

field to be held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, at 8:30 P.M., September 26, 1919, f for the purpose of reconsidering the resolution concerning the submission of the question of widening Park Avenue by the voters of Plainfield at the General Election to be held November 4th, 1919, which said resolution was adopted by the Common Council at its meeting held September 15th, 1919.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. CARROLL

Councilman Force offered the following resolution to rescind a resolution adopted Sept. 15th for submission to the voters the question of the widening of Park Avenue; seconded by Councilman Sminck:

Councilman Lovell came in at this time.

RESOLVED That the certain resolution adopted by this Council on September 15th, 1919 in the following words,

Resolution to rescind resolution for submission to voters the question of widening Park Ave.

"RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, being a City of the second class, desires to ascertain the sentiment of the legal voters of such municipality upon the question of whether or not a certain public square should be created, and there being no other statute by which such sentiment can be ascertained by the submission of such question to a vote of the electors in such municipality at any election such Common Council elects to proceed under Chapter 60 of the Laws of 1917 and does hereby by this resolution adopted at a regular meeting of such Common Council, request the Clerk of the County of Union in which such municipality is situated to print in the manner provided by said act, upon the official ballots to be used in such City at the next ensuing general election, the certain proposition following, to wit:-

"The Common Council of the City of Plainfield proposes to widen Park Avenue on the westerly side between Second Street and Front Street at least about forty feet.

Since Park Avenue in any event will be widened as much as forty feet, do you think the widening should be extended as far as Pruden's Alley so as to create a public square?"

be and the same is hereby reconsidered and rescinded.

Resolution lost on vote

After full and ample consideration of the question, the resolution was lost upon a call of the roll, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell and Maynard and President Hylan voting in the negative; Councilmen Force and Sminck voting in the affirmative.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J Carroll

City Clerk.

Monday Evening, October 6, 1919.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck. Absent, Councilmen Condict and McDonough.

Amend minutes of last meeting

Minutes of regular meeting held Sept. 15th were read, amended by changing the record that the motion by Councilman Force to re-consider vote on resolution offered at the last meeting for lights on McCrea Place, to "Carried" instead of the same having been lost, and minutes approved as amended.

Minutes of special meeting held Sept. 26th were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

File Insurance policy

Insurance policy, American Eagle Fire No. 10542, for $4000 on the Industrial Home, was presented and ordered filed.

Petition J.P. Stevens

Petition from John P. Stevens and others for the repair of Woodland Avenue from the corner of Randolph Road to the City Line. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition Hyman Diamond for school in West End.

Petition from Hyman Diamond and others, residents and property owners in the vicinity of Jefferson Avenue, that the City provide school facilities for this vicinity for the lower grades nearer than the Jefferson School. Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Comm. National Septic Tank Co. submitting release

Communication from the National Septic Process Protective League, submitting individual release for claims of the Cameron Septic Tank Co. was read and ordered filed. The Release is as follows:

RELEASE

Release

WHEREAS, in a certain memorandum of agreement, dated March 5, 1919, in a certain case pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, wherein the Cameron Septic Tank Co. and Hubert D. Wyllie are plaintiffs, and the City of Shelbyville is defendant, at Law, No. 864, it was agreed, under certain conditions and provided no municipality of over five thousand (5000) population should after said date be admitted to membership in said League to have benefit of the settlement, that upon the payment to the said plaintiffs of the sum of Five Thousand ($5,000.00)

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Dollars on or before September 1, 1919, plaintiffs would thereupon immediately release each member of the National Septic Process Protective League, as shown by the books of the League on September 1, 1919, from any and all claims of infringement, damages and profits or otherwise arising in any manner under the Cameron patent No. 634,423, dated October 3, 1899; and

WHEREAS, said plaintiffs did in that memorandum of agreement agree to issue to each such member of said League, through its Secretary, an individual full release of all claims of every character under said patent; and

WHEREAS, there has now been paid to said plaintiffs the sum of Five Thousand ($5,000.00) Dollars, in accordance with and as provided in said memorandum of agreement; and

WHEREAS, the municipality of Plainfield, New Jersey, is and was, prior to September 1, 1919, a member said National Septic Process Protective League, and is entitled to receive from said plaintiffs an individual full release of all claims of every character, against said member as to itself or anyone else, under said patent.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the of the premises, the undersigned, Cameron Septic Tank Company, by and through its proper officers, and the undersigned, Hubert D. Wyllie, do hereby release said Plainfield, New Jersey, from any and all claims of infringement, damages and profits, or otherwise arising against said member as to itself or anyone else, in any manner under the Cameron patent No. 634,423, dated October 3, 1899, or under or growing out of anything else whatsoever to the day of the date of this release, and hereby acknowledge full payment, settlement and satisfaction of all claims of every character whatsoever against said member as to itself or anyone else, under or growing out of said patent, orunder or growing out of anything else whatsoever to the day of the date of this release.

Dated at Chicago, Ill., this 2nd day of September, 1919.

Attest:
H. D. WYLLIE
Secretary

CAMERON SEPTIC TANK COMPANY
By
Vice-President
HUBERT D. WYLLIE (Seal)

Witnesses:
Geo. Maukle
I. V. Curran

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Comm. N.Y. Telephone Co. re change in rates

Communication of Sept. 26, 1919, from the New York Telephone Co. respecting their application to the Public Utilities Commission for changes in their rates, and that the Public Utilities Commission has set a hearing for Oct. 9, 1919, at 790 Broad Street, Newark, N. J. Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

File statement Joint Sewer.

Statement of Joint Sewer, joint meeting, of claims ordered paid at a meeting thereof held Sept. 30th, was presented, read and ordered filed.

Petition install gasoline tank

Petition from the American Auto Supply Co. for permission to install a 550 gallon gasoline tank at #337 West Front Street. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Comm. J. Ackerman Coles gift to City

Communication of Oct. 6, 1919, from J. Ackerman Coles offering to the City as a gift for the City of Plainfield, in memory of his father, certain paintings. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Petition Policemen's Salary

Petition from the policemen to submit to popular vote the question of salaries. Referred to the Police Committee.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER

Comm. Mayor Special Message No. 23.

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, being his Special Message No. 23, respecting additional compensation to the Patrolmen and Firemen, and submitting ordinances and resolutions respecting the same. Referred to the Police, and Fire & Buildings Committees.

Reports filed

Report of the Treasurer, of the Overseer of the Poor, of the Collector of Taxes, of the Inspector of Buildings and of the City Clerk, for the month of September, were each read and ordered filed.

Rept Engr. filed

Report of the Engineer in Charge of Sewers, of sewer permits granted during the month of September (25) was read and ordered filed.

File Supplemented debt statement

Supplemental debt statement of the Treasurer, showing the average net debt as of Oct. 4th to be 5%, was read and ordered filed.

File Report City Judge

Report of the City Judge for the quarter ending Sept. 30th was read and ordered filed.

Comm. City Clerk submitting copy of order of Pub. Utilities Comm.

Communication was received from the City Clerk, dated Oct. 6th, submitting from the Public Utilities Commission a copy of their order authorizing the Public Service Railway Co. to install the Zoning System. Referred to the Finance Committee.

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Rules Suspended

Councilman Hight moved regular order of business be suspended in order to receive bids for sanitary sewers in Rose Street and Clinton Place, as advertised. So ordered.

The President stated that the hour had arrived to receive bids for installing sewers in Rose Street and Clinton Place, as advertised, and that if there were any persons present desirous of submitting bids they should present the same.

Affidavit of Publication

Bids received for installing sewers in Rose Street and Clinton Place.

The Clerk presented proof of publication of notice to receive bids as required by law, which proof was received and ordered filed.

The Clerk reported four bids received.

The President asked if there were any other persons desirous of submitting bids, stating that no bids would be received after the clerk commenced to open the bids.

After ample opportunity had been given, and no further bids being presented, the President appointed Councilmen Graves and Sminck to assist the clerk in opening the bids, which are as follows:

The terms are those specified in printed copy of proposal, contract and bond, for the construction of sanitary sewers, on file with the City Clerk, and the prices are those specifically set forth on the attached blue print.

On motion the bids were referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Councilman Hight moved rules be further suspended for the purpose of holding a public hearing on the ordinance for the widening of Watchung Avenue, as advertised. So ordered

Affidavit Publication

The Clerk presented proof of publication of notice of hearing and also affidavit from the Street Commissioner that all interested parties had been served with a copy of the Corporation Notice.

Public Hearing adoption of ordinance widen Watchung Ave

The President stated that opportunity is now offered all interested parties to be heard for or against the adoption of said ordinance. After ample opportunity had been given, no one appearing in favor of or opposed to the proposed undertaking, the President declared the hearing closed.

Councilman Hight moved Council return to regular order of business. So ordered.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

Offered the following resolution to borrow $2600 for sewer extension purposes:

Resolution Borrow $2600. Sewer Extension

RESOLVED, That Two Thousand Six Hundred Dollars ($2,600.00) be borrowed for Sewer Extension Purposes (ordinances adopted by the Common Council April 3, 1916 and March 19, 1917) in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Two Thousand Six Hundred Dollars ($2,600.00) at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight. Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $30,000 for 1919 permanent pavement account:

Borrow $30,000 Permanent Pavement Purposes 1919

RESOLVED, That Thirty Thousand Dollars ($30,000.) be borrowed for 1919 Permanent Pavement Purposes (ordinance adopted by the Common Council April 29, 1919) in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars ($30,000.) at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $1100 for storm sewer purposes:

Borrow $1100. for Storm Sewer Purposes

RESOLVED, That Eleven Hundred Dollars ($1100.00) be borrowed for Storm Sewer Purposes (ordinances adopted by the Common Council September 5, 1916 and October 2, 1916) in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Eleven Hundred Dollars ($1100.00) at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $3000 to cover interest on money borrowed for construction of the Municipal Building:

Resolution borrow $3,000. payment of interest on money borrowed for City Hall construction.

RESOLVED, That the sum of Three Thousand Dollars ($3000.) be borrowed for the payment of interest on money borrowed for the construction of the New Municipal Building, and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute in the name of the City note in said aggregate amount of Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000.00) payable on demand, at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to change telephone from #938 West Fifth Street to #825 West Fifth Street:

Resolution instructing N. Y. Telephone Co. to change phone to Mr. Carroll's new residence

WHEREAS, John J. Carroll, City Clerk, has changed his residence from 938 West Fifth Street to 825 West Fifth Street, Plainfield, and

WHEREAS, it is desired that the telephone located at the old address be removed to the new

BE IT RESOLVED, That the telephone company be, and they hereby are, requested to move said telephone, call number 2966-W, Plainfield, as above,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Mayor be and is hereby empowered to sign the Company's regular form of contract covering such a change.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution granting additional compensation to members of the police and fire departments:

Resolution granting additional bonus to Firemen and Policemen

WHEREAS conditions recited in the preamble of Chapter 4 of the Laws of 1919 make such action necessary and proper:

RESOLVED that in addition to the bonus directed by resolutions of this Council heretofore adopted, to be paid during the year 1919 to members of the Police and Fire Departments respectively, there shall be paid as bonus under said statute (Chapter 4, 1919) to each regular member (other than a Chief) of the Fire Department and of the Police Department respectively, and to each special Policeman while detailed on regular service, the sum of $12.50 per month from October First to December 31st, 1919, provided such person serves during the whole of such period, and a proportionate part of said monthly sum to such persons who serve only a part of such period.

RESOLVED FURTHER that, no bonus having been previously granted to a Chief of either of said Departments, the sum of $25.00 per month from October 1st. to December 31st 1919, be paid to the Chief of the Fire Department and to the Chief of the Police Department as bonus under said statute.

RESOLVED FURTHER that warrants be drawn accordingly and that in the judgment of this Council a bonus under said statute, at the rate of $300.00 per year payable in monthly installments of $25.00 each should be granted and paid to each officer and regular member of the Fire Department and to each officer and regular member of the Police Department, as well as to Special Policemen while detailed on regular service, from and after January 1, 1920 and continued thereafter until the cost of living is materially reduced or further increase in regular salary is made.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

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Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY COUNCILMAN HIGHT:

File petition A. E. Hoagland - for W. Front St.

Reported back petition from A. E. Hoagland and others for tar treatment of West Front Street, with report that the work had been taken care of, and moved the petition be filed. So ordered.

Offered the following resolution that the Committee be authorized to dispose of gasoline engine air compressor:

Resolution authorize Street Committee to dispose of gasoline engine air compressor.

RESOLVED, That the Chairman of the Street Committee be authorized to dispose of the old gasoline engine air compressor now owned by the City after publicly offering the same.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HIGHT:

Introduce Ordinance establish, regulate control Fire Department

Introduced an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to further amend an ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance to establish, regulate and control the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield (Revision of 1914)' approved December 7th, 1914 as heretofore amended", which was read and is as follows:

Ordinance

AN ORDINANCE To further amend an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to establish, regulate and control the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield (Revision of 1914)" approved December 7th, 1914 as heretofore amended.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

SECTION I. That section 3 of the ordinance entitled "An ordinance to establish, regulate and control the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield (Revision of 1914)" approved December 7th, 1914, and as heretofore amended, be and is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 3. Members of the force other than officers shall be divided into four classes according to their respective terms of service, as follows:

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Class A-Fourth year of service and over.
Class B-Third year of service.
Class C-Second year of service.
Class D-First year of service

Provided that the Common Council, upon recommendation of the Mayor, may advance any regular member of the force from a lower to a higher class for especially good work or meritorious service whether he shall have served his full time specified above or not; and upon like recommendation may require such member in any class, except Class A, to serve for a longer period than above specified on account of unsatisfactory service during the preceding year.

SECTION 2. That section 4 of said Revision of 1914, as heretofore amended be and is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 4. The pay of the force is hereby fixed as follows, said rates to take effect on and after October 1st, 1919.

Chief	$2250 per annum
Assistant Chief	$1900 per annum
Captains	$1700 per annum
Class A	$1400 per annum
Class B	$1300 per annum
Class C	$1200 per annum
Class D	$1100 per annum

Each member of the force shall provide at his own expense, all uniforms and other wearing apparel necessary for his use as from time to time required in compliance with the rules of the department; except that said uniforms and other wearing apparel for members who have not reached Class B, may be paid for by the City, which shall be reimbursed for the cost of any such purchase by deducting from such members' pay ten per cent of the purchase price each month until the full amount thereof has been paid back to the City; and all such uniforms and wearing apparel for which the City has advanced the purchase price, shall be regarded as the property of the City until the City has been fully reimbursed therefor as above specified.

The times from which the several dates of service in the fire department of the city are to be calculated are the dates at which the continuous service of the members respectively commenced. The captains and firemen in the various classes shall be paid for the number of full days only of service actually performed by them respectively and for such vacation periods as may from time to time be granted them by due authority,

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except that they severally may, at the descretion of the Committee on Fire and Buildings, be paid for any time not exceeding two weeks during which they severally shall be incapacitated by sickness or other physical disability; but if absent for any reason for more than two weeks, they shall be paid only if and as authorized by the Common Council.

Every salary established by this ordinance shall be payable, at the rate fixed therein, in equal semi-monthly installments.

Chairman Hight moved the ordinance be engrossed or typewritten and duly advertised. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Presented the following report which was read and ordered filed: Showing that the Committee had placed Wm L Erb on Probationary service in Fire Dept.

October 6, 1919.

File Report of Fire & Bldg. Committee

To the Honorable the Members of the
Common Council
of the City of Plainfield.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Fire and Buildings begs to report that on September 29, 1919 they directed that Mr. Wm. L. Erber be placed on probationary service in the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield at the pleasure of the Common Council, for a period not exceeding six months, as provided by "An Ordinance to Establish, Regulate and Control the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield", approved by the Mayor December 7, 1917, and this Committee recommends that their action in so directing the employment of the said Wm. L. Erber as above stated, be approved and ratified by this Council.

Yours truly,

CHAUNCEY L. HIGHT
Chairman Fire & Buildings Committee.

Offered the following resolution confirming action of the Committee in placing Wm. L. Erber on probationary service:

Resolution-Trial Man Fire Dept.

RESOLVED: That the action of the Committee on Fire & Buildings in placing Mr. Wm. L. Erber on probationary duty in the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield on September 29, 1919, be, and the same hereby is, approved and ratified.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Offered the following report respecting disposal of old grand stand at Parker Field, which was read and ordered filed:

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File Report Pub. Affairs Committee - disposal Grand Stand Parker Field

To the Honorable the Members of
the Common Council
of the City of Plainfield.

Gentlemen:-

In compliance with resolution adopted by this Council at its meeting held August 18th, authorizing the Public Affairs Committee to dispose of the old grand stand and other similar property belonging to the City on Parker Field, I beg to report that advertisement was inserted in the official newspaper offering this property for sale and the following bids were received:-

W. Harry Colburn	$30.00
Frank E. Zeller	40.00
Wm. Winkleholz	160.00

The buildings were sold to Mr. Winkleholz and he is removing the same.

Yours truly,
MARION S. ACKERMAN
Chairman Public Affairs Committee.

Corp. Counsel attend meeting respecting N.Y. Telephone Rates

Reported back communication from the New York Telephone Co. respecting rates and that a hearing had been set for Oct. 9th at Newark, and moved that the Corporation Counsel attend this hearing and if in his judgment to ask for an extension of time in which to investigate the matter. So ordered.

POLICE BY COUNCILMAN HULL:

Introduce Ordinance Police Dept.

Introduced an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to further amend an ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance to create and define the duties of a Board of Police and a Police Force' approved February 28th, 1882, as heretofore amended" which was read and is as follows:

AN ORDINANCE to further amend the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to create and define the duties

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of a Board of Police and a Police Force" approved February 28th, 1882, as heretofore amended.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

Ordinance creating and defining duties of Board of Police and Police Force

SECTION I. That section 3 of the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to create and define the duties of a Board of Police and a Police Force", approved February 28th, 1882, and as heretofore amended, be and is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 3. The Police Force shall consist of such number of regular policemen and special policemen, each of whom shall be a resident and legally qualified voter of this City, as the Common Council shall from time to time deem necessary, and by resolution order to be appointed. The regular policemen shall rank as follows: Chief of Police, Captain, Lieutenant, Sergeants, and Patrolmen. Special Policemen shall not be ranked.

The duties of the several members and officers of the said Police Force shall be those prescribed by the laws of the State, the ordinances of the City and the rules and regulations that may from time to time be prescribed and established by resolution of the Common Council for the better government and discipline of the Police Department.

The Patrolmen shall be divided into four (4) classes, viz:

Class A-Fourth year of service and over.
Class B-Third year of service.
Class C-Second year of service.
Class D-First year of service.

Provided that the Common Council upon recommendation of the Mayor or of the Board of Police may advance a patrolman from a lower to a higher class for especially good work or meritorious service, whether he shall have served his full time specified above or not, and upon like recommendation may require a patrolman in any class, except Class A, to serve for a longer period than above specified on account of unsatisfactory service during the preceding year.

The salaries of the members of the force who are regular policemen are hereby fixed at the following rates from and after October first, 1919, that is to say:

Chief . . . . . .$2500 per annum
Captain . . . . . .$1900 per annum
Lieutenant . . . . . .$1700 per annum
Sergeants . . . . . .$1600 per annum

Patrolmen:

Class A	$1400 per annum
Class B	$1300 per annum
Class C	$1200 per annum
Class D	$1100 per annum

Personal equipment such as revolvers, ammunition, batons, shields, badges, etc., shall be supplied to each of such officers and policemen free of cost. Each of them, however, shall provide at his own expense all uniforms and other wearing apparel necessary for his use, as from time to time required by the Board of Police in compliance with the rules of the department; except that said uniforms and other wearing apparel for Patrolmen who have not reached Class B may be paid for by the City which shall be reimbursed for the cost of any such purchase by deducting from such patrolman's pay ten per cent. of the purchase price each month until the full amount thereof has been paid back to the City; and all such uniforms and wearing apparel for which the City has advanced the purchase price shall be regarded as the property of the City until the City has been fully reimbursed therefor as above specified.

No special policemen shall be entitled to any pay except for service rendered by virtue of an order of the Board of Police or Mayor specifying such service, and for such service shall be paid only such amount as may be fixed by resolution of the Common Council, or of the Board of Police and approved by the Common Council.

The times from which the several dated of service in the police department of the city are to be calculated are the dates at which the continuous service of said regular policemen, respectively, commenced. Said Lieutenant, Sergeants and Patrolmen shall be paid at said rates for the number of full days only of service actually performed by them respectively, and for such vacation periods as from time to time the Board of Police may determine; except that they severally may, at the discretion of the Board of Police, be paid for any time not exceeding two weeks during which they severally shall be incapacitated from the performance of duty by reason of sickness or other physical disability; but if absent for any reason for more than two weeks, they shall be paid only if and as authorized by the Common Council.

Every salary established by this ordinance shall be payable, at the rate fixed therein, in equal semi-monthly installments.

advertise ordinance

Councilman Hull moved the ordinance be engrossed or typewritten and duly advertised. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

Reported back petition from the East End Civic Association for lights, and offered the following resolution directing the installation of same:

Resolution Install Lights.

RESOLVED, That the Public Service Electric Company be, and it hereby is, directed to install

1 32 candle power lamp on East 2nd Street between Berckman Street and McKinley Place

3 32 candle power lamps on East 2nd Street between Hillcrest Avenue and Wiley Avenue, and

1 32 candle power lamp on East 2nd Street between Wiley Avenue and Terrill Road.

at such places as shall be designated by the Street Lighting Committee.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bill correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Reported bill correct. Referred to Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES: No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution accept bid Frank Mobus for sewers

Councilman Hight offered the following resolution to accept bid of Frank Mobus for sewers:

WHEREAS, Frank Mobus of the Borough of North Plainfield, N. J. is the lowest responsible bidder for doing the work and furnishing the materials for constructing sanitary sewers and

appurtenances in Clinton Place and Rose Street, in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor adopted by the Common Council August 4, 1919, and filed in the office of the City Clerk, and which bid was received by this Council October 6, 1919, together with other bids in response to legal advertisement therefor, as by the minutes of this Council will more fully appear:

RESOLVED, that said bid of said Frank Mobus, which bid is not only lowest and best as aforesaid, but also is, in the opinion of the Common Council, the most advantageous for the City, be and is hereby accepted, and said bidder ishereby required to execute and deliver the contract and bond as required by the conditions under which said bid was made, within ten days after notice of said acceptance, and thereupon the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to sign, seal and execute such contract in the name of the City.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Return checks of unsuccessful bidders.

Councilman Hight moved that the checks of the unsuccessful bidders be returned, and that the check of the successful bidder be retained. So ordered.

Councilman Hight called up on second reading and final passage Improvement Ordinance No. 201, to widen and alter portions of Watchung Avenue, which was read and is as follows:

Final passage Ordinance - Improvement Ordinance No. 201

IMPROVEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 201.

(Being an Ordinance to widen and alter portions of Watchung Avenue between the City line in Greenbrook and the Northwesterly side of the right of way of theCentral Railroad Company of New Jersey, and provide for establishing of curb lines, the installation of house connections with sanitary sewers, inlets to storm sewers and the construction of street pavement and other improvements in connection with such widening and also to repeal the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to alter and widen Watchung Avenue, on the Southwesterly side, from East Front Street to a point One Hundred three and sixty-five hundredths feet (103.65) Southeast of East Second Street and on the Northeasterly side from the City Line in Green Brook to East Second Street" approved August 9, 1918)

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield

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by their Common Council, do enact as follows:-

SECTION 1. The title of this Ordinance is "IMPROVEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 201."

SECTION 2. The Common Council of the City of Plainfield has judged and does hereby judge that the public good requires that Watchung Avenue in said City be widened and altered and its curb lines established in the manner and to the extent in and by this Ordinance hereinafter specified and that the improvement contemplated by this Ordinance be made as a local improvement under and in accordance with the authority and provisions of Chapter 152 of the Laws of 1917 entitled, "An Act concerning municipalities" approved March 27, 1917 and the acts supplemental thereto and amendatory thereof.

SECTION 3. That Watchung Avenue in the City of Plainfield shall be widened three feet on the Southwesterly side thereof from the Southeasterly side line of EastFront Street Southeasterly to the center line of East Second Street and for that purpose a strip of land three feet in depth from thepresent Southwesterly side line of said portion of said Watchung Avenue shall be taken and included in said street off of the several lots of land bordering thereon and belonging severally to Albert Pittis, J. Fred MacDonald, Plainfield Lodge No. 885 B. P. O. E. and Charles H. Hand, respectively.

SECTION 4. That said Watchung Avenue shall also be widened two and eight tenths (2.8) feet on said Southwesterly side thereof from the center line of East Second Street Southeasterly for a distance of One Hundred and twenty-eight and sixty-four hundredths feet (128.64) measured on the present Southwesterly side line of Watchung Avenue, to the center line of the Alley on the Southeasterly side of property of the Mercer Realty Company, and for that purpose a strip of land two and eight tenths feet (2.8) in depth from the present Southwesterly side line of Watchung Avenue shall be taken and included in said street off the several lots of land bordering thereon and belonging severally to Harry B. MacDonald and the Mercer Realty Company respectively.

SECTION 5. That said Watchung Avenue shall also be widened ten feet on the Northeasterly side thereof from the City and County line in Green Brook Southeasterly to the Southeasterly side line of East Second Street and for that purpose a strip of land ten feet in depth from the present northeasterly side line of Watchung Avenue shall be taken and included in the said street off of the several lots of land bordering thereon and belonging severally to Estate of Hannah

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Durlach, S. Nussbaum and B. J. Oettinger, Executors etc., Mrs. S. Nussbaum, Edith Durlach, H. I. Durlach, Mr. I. Durlach, and E. Rich, devisees or owners; A. G. Belknap, Inc. Andrew G. Belknap, President, Anson W. Anderson, Charles H. Hand, Nathan Meyers, Hulda Enander, Celia R Rosetter and George B. Wean, respectively.

SECTION 6. That said Watchung Avenue shall also be widened on the Northeasterly side thereof from the Southeasterly line of the lot of land fronting thereon belonging to the United States of America and occupied for Post Office purposes, Southeasterly to the Northwesterly side line of East Third Street by taking and including in said Watchung Avenue off the lands fronting on that portion thereof belonging to The Trustees of the Rahway and Plainfield Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, the certain strip or parcel of land BEGINNING at the point of intersection of the Northeasterly side line of said Watchung Avenue as now laid out and opened with the Northwesterly side line of East Third Street as now laid out and opened and running thence with said side line of Watchung Avenue Northwesterly a distance of two hundred and thirty-three and seventy-one one hundredths (233.71) feet to the Southeasterly line of lands of the United States of America on which stands the Post Office building, thence with said line of that lot Northeasterly a distance of ten and six one hundredths (10.06) feet to a point, thence Southeasterly and parallel with the present Northeasterly side line of Watchung Avenue (through lands of said Trustees) a distance of two hundred and three and ninety-three one hundredths (203.93) feet to a point of curve: thence curving to the left with a radius of thirty (30) feet a distance of forty-six and twelve one hundredths (46.12) feet to a point of tangent in the Northwesterly side line of East Third Street aforesaid. Thence along said line of East Third Street Southwesterly a distance of thirty-nine and one one-hundredths (39.01) feet to a place of BEGINNING.

SECTION 7. That the lands aforesaid to be taken for the widening aforesaid, shall be acquired as provided in and by the statutes aforesaid and thereupon and thereafter the present curb line on the Southwesterly side of Watchung Avenue shall be and remain as heretofore established but the sidewalk on that side of said street except the roadway at the street intersection shall include all of the land so acquired, the same when so acquired by the City of Plainfield with said exception being designated as sidewalk and devoted to that purpose

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until further enactment. On the Northeasterly side of Watchung Avenue when the lands hereinbefore described to be taken are acquired by the said City, a new curb line is hereby established twelve feet distant Southwesterly at right angles from the new Northeasterly side line of Watchung Avenue except at East Third Street where the new curb line shall curve to the left with a radius of forty-two feet to connect with the Northwesterly curb line of East Third Street. Thereafter all land between the new Northeasterly curb line and the new Northeasterly side line of Watchung Avenue except roadways at street intersections, shall be devoted to sidewalk purposes and considered and construed to be sidewalk until further enactment on that subject, and the present Northeasterly curb line of Watchung Avenue is thereupon abolished hereby and the roadway of that portion of said street when so widened on the Northeasterly side is hereby increased and extended to the new curb line.

SECTION 8. Immediately after Watchung Avenue has been widened by the taking of lands as hereinbefore specified, the same shall be improved by (1) grading and excavation, (2) construction of new storm water inlets to storm sewers and removal of present inlets, (3) installation of house connections from present sanitary sewer to new curb line on Northeasterly side of the street, and extension of house connections from old to new curb line on said side of street where such extensions may be necessary, (4) removal of all trees now standing between side lines of street as widened, (5) construction of new roadway of new brick pavement, with concrete foundation and abutment at new curb line, between the old and new curb lines on the Northeasterly side of Watchung Avenue where the roadway is widened between the Northwesterly side line of East Front Street and the Central Railroad of New Jersey, (6) installing where necessary new brick surface on present concrete foundation between the Northeasterly rail of the trolley track on Watchung Avenue and the present Northeasterly curb line of said street between East Front Street and the Central Railroad, (7) paving with macadam the roadway of that portion of Watchung Avenue between the old and new curb line on the Northeasterly side of Watchung Avenue between East Front Street and the bridge over Green Brook on said street.

All of said improvements to be made and work done substantially as shown, described and specified in and by the certain map and plans entitled "Map and Plans for Improvement Ordinance No. 201." and specifications etc. entitled "Specifications, including information for bidders, form of proposal,

contract and bond for Improvement Ordinance No. 201" which map and plans, specifications etc. have been prepared and will be exhibited at every hearing on or under this ordinance held by the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, are all now filed in the office of the Clerk of said City under date of September 15, 1919, and are all hereby approved. All work therein specified shall be given out upon contract to the lowest responsible bidder after public advertisement in the manner provided by law.

SECTION 9. It is estimated that the cost of the work and improvements contemplated by this ordinance including the value of the land to be taken and the damages which may be awarded therefor will be seventy thousand dollars and the Common Council of the City of Plainfield does hereby appropriate that sum to be used for that purpose.

SECTION 10. Upon the completion of said work and improvements there shall be levied in the manner provided by law, an assessment for benefits on the property benefited or increased in value by said widening, work or improvements, as well as for the cost of said house connections with sewers, which are located and shown on aforesaid map and plans, which assessment shall in each case be as near as may be in proportion to the peculiar benefit, advantage or increase in value which the respective lots or parcels of land and real estate legally liable to such assessments shall have received by reason of such widening, work or improvements, and in no case shall any such assessment on any parcel or lot of land exceed in amount such peculiar benefit, advantage or increase in value nor shall the total benefits assessed exceed the total cost and expense of the work, widening or improvement. Should the said cost and expense exceed the total amount of such benefits so assessed, the excess thereof shall be paid by the City at large and raised by general tax.

SECTION 11. For the purpose of providing for the payment of the costs and expenses of said work, widening and improvements, including the lands to be taken and damages awarded therefor and of the house connections in advance of the collection of assessments for benefits, the Common Council pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 152 of the Laws of 1917, approved March 27, 1917, and of Chapter 252 of the Laws of 1916, approved March 22, 1916, and the statutes supplemental or amendatory to either thereof, shall by resolution authorize the issuing from time to time of temporary notes or bonds of the City of Plainfield, in the manner and under the conditions provided by law.

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SECTION 12. It is hereby determined and declared as follows:-

(A) The probable period of usefulness of the aforesaid work and improvements is twenty years.

(B) The average assessed valuation of taxable real property (including improvements) of the City of Plainfield, computed upon the next preceeding three valuations thereof by the statement filed under Section 12 of Chapter 252 of the Laws of 1916 is $28,082,159.00.

(C) The net debt of the City of Plainfield computed in the manner provided under Section 12 of said last mentioned act is 4.9 per cent. of said rateables.

(D) The statement required by said Section 12 of said last mentioned act has been made by the Treasurer of the City of Plainfield, the chief financial officer of said city, and filed in the office of the Clerk thereof as required by said last mentioned act.

SECTION 13. The Ordinance of the City of Plainfield entitled "An Ordinance to alter and widen Watchung Avenue, on the Southwesterly side from East Front Street to a point One hundred three and sixty-five hundredths (103.65) feet Southeast of East Second Street and on the Northeasterly side from the City line in Green Brook to East Second Street" approved August 9th, 1918, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 14. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Adopt Ordinance

Councilman Hight moved adoption of said ordinance on second reading and final adoption. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Councilman Hight moved that the said ordinance No. 201 be duly advertised upon final adoption. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Resolution place tablet in City Hall having on it name of Mayor and Building Committee

Councilman Sminck offered the following resolution that a tablet be placed in the City Hall having upon it the names of the Mayor and members of the Building Committee:

RESOLVED: That a suitable tablet be placed in the City Hall by the City Hall Building Committee having upon it the names of the Mayor and the members of the active building committee responsible for its construction under the most unexpected and unusual difficulties.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution thanking Dr. Coles for his gift to the City of three paintings:

Resolution of thanks to Dr. Coles for his gift to City of three pictures

RESOLVED, That the members of the Common Council on their own behalf and in the name of the people of the City of Plainfield most cordially thank Dr. J. Ackerman Coles for his very generous and thoughtful gift to the City of the three master piece paintings entitled, "The Rocky Mountains", "Landing of Columbus" and "Rocky Mountain Scenery"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Dr. Coles.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

File petition from Policemen increase salaries

Councilman Hull presented petitions from members of the Police Department for increase in salary, and moved same be filed. So ordered.

Introduce Ordinance fix salaries member of Police Force

Introduced an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to fix salaries of certain members of the police force of the City of Plainfield, at the amounts named in a certain unsigned petition, provided such amounts are first approved on referendum", which was read and is as follows:

An ordinance to fix salaries of certain members of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield, at the amounts named in a certain unsigned petition, provided such amounts are first approved on referendum.

WHEREAS on the 26th day of September 1919 a certain unsigned petition was presented to the Clerk of the City of Plainfield and filed in his office, which petition is in the words and figures following, to wit:

"PETITION

"To the Honorable: The Members of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield.

"We, the undersigned voters of the City of Plainfield, in compliance with Article 13 of the laws of 1918, respectfully petition your Honorable Body to submitto the popular vote of the Citizens of Plainfield, the fixing of salaries and wages of the members of the Police Department, at the following

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amounts, namely:

For the Office of Captain	$2,250 per annum
For the Office of Lieutenant	$2,000 per annum
For the Office of Sergeant	$1,900 per annum
For the Office of Patrolmen	
For the first year of Service	$1,300 per annum
For the second year of Service	$1,450 per annum
For the third year of Service	$1,600 per annum
For the fourth year of service and for every year of Service thereafter	$1,700 per annum"

AND WHEREAS, attached to said unsigned petition there was another petition signed by a large number of persons, which second and signed petition so attached to the first and unsigned petition is in the words and figures following, to wit:

"To the Honorable: The Members of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield.

"We, the undersigned voters of the City of Plainfield, in compliance with Article 13 of the laws of 1918 respectfully petition your Honorable Body to submit to the popular vote of the citizens of Plainfield, the fixing of salaries and wages of the members of the Police Department."

AND WHEREAS said two petitions were on October 6th, 1919 for the first time submitted to the governing body, the Common Council, of said City, that being the date of the first meeting of said body following the filing of said petitions with said City Clerk.

AND WHEREAS although no proof has been submitted that either of said petitions is signed by twenty per centum of the legal voters of said City and although said signed petition does not state any amount of salary proposed by the signers thereof, yet it is alleged on behalf of such signers that the filing of said petitions with the City Clerk was tantamount to presenting the same to said Common Council, and sufficient to require said Common Council to enact an ordinance fixing said salaries at the amounts named in said unsigned petition, and fixing a time, when the said salaries should commence, subject to a referendum at the next general election.

AND WHEREAS the said Common Council questions the validity of said petitions under the statute, but is not unwilling to facilitate the request of the petitioners that the question involved be submitted to the voters of the City if it shall be determined by the proper officer, charged with the duty of placing the question upon the ballots, that there has been compliance with the statutory requirements; therefore:

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

Section I. The salaries of the hereinafter designated regular members of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield, from and after the first day of January next following any general election at which such rates or salaries shall be approved by referendum vote pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, are hereby fixed at the following rates.

Captain	$2250. per annum
Lieutenant	$2000. per annum
Sergeants	$1900. per annum
Patrolmen	
Class A (fourth year of service and thereafter)	$1700. per annum
Class B (third year of service)	$1600. per annum
Class C (second year of service)	$1450. per annum
Class D (first year of service)	$1300. per annum

Section 2. Except so far as effects salaries of the regular members of the force designated herein, this ordinance shall in no wise effect or modify any other ordinance of the City of Plainfield concerning its Police Force; and those members of said force embraced in the provisions of this ordinance shall continue to furnish all required uniforms and wearing apparel as heretofore.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be of no effect unless and before its provisions are ratified on referendum by majority vote of the legal voters of the City of Plainfield at a general election as provided by statute.

Adv. Ordinance

Councilman Hull moved the ordinance be engrossed or typewritten and duly advertised. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Councilman Sminck offered the following resolution:

Resolution to install lights McCrea Place Lost

RESOLVED, That the petition for two lights as petitioned for by the taxpayers and residents of Wiley Avenue and McCrea Place be granted.

Resolution lost upon a call of the roll, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell and President Hylan voting in the negative; Councilmen Maynard and Sminck voting in the affirmative.

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AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Pay Claims

Reported all claims presented correct, and offered the following resolution to pay the same:-

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the General Account for the 2nd half of September 1919 amounting to	540.83
Claims appearing on the Miscellaneous appropriation Account dated October 6, 1919 amounting to (incouding 7110.11 interest on notes and 21,000.00 redemption of notes)	31023.66
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Inspector for the 2nd half of September 1919 amounting to	45.84
Claims appearing on the Building Inspector Appropriation Account dated October 6, 1919, amounting to	.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 2nd half of September 1919 amounting to	220.42
Claims appearing on the Tax Department Appropriation Account dated October 6, 1919, amounting to	78.85
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 2nd half of September 1919 amounting to	120.83
Claims appearing on the District Court Appropriation Account dated October 6, 1919 amounting to	20.85
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 2nd half of Sepetmeber 1919, amounting to	62.50
Claims appearing on the City Court Appropriation Account dated October 6, 1919, amounting to	8.05
Claims appearing on the Publishing and Advertising Appropriation Account dated October 6, 1919, amounting to	95.83
Claims appearing on the Sinking Fund Appropriation Account dated October 6, 1919, amounting to	15.62
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 2nd half of September 1919, amounting to	2036.24
Claims appearing on the Street Department Appropriation Account dated October 6, 1919, amounting to	3185.09
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Permanent Pavement 1919 Account for the 2nd half of September 1919 amounting to	250.34
Claims appearing on the Permanent Pavement 1919 Account dated October 6, 1919 amounting to	22446.58

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Watchung Avenue Widening Account for the 2nd half of September 1919, amounting to	4.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the State Highway Account for the 2nd half of September 1919, amounting to	18.00
Claims appearing on the Street Lighting Appropriation Account dated October 6, 1919, amounting to	1673.59
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay rollof the Sewer Department for the 2nd half of September 1919, amounting to	244.41
Claims appearing on the Sewer Department Appropriation Account dated October 6, 1919, amounting to	2623.09
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 2nd half of September 1919, amounting to	95.50
Claims appearing on the Shade Tree Commission Appropriation Account dated October 6, 1919, amounting to	75.89
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 2nd half of September 1919 amounting to	1214.29
Claims appearing on the Police Department Appropriation Account dated October 6, 1919 amounting to	501.35
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 2nd half of September 1919, amounting to	1558.02
Claims appearing on the Fire Department Appropriation Account dated October 6, 1919 amounting to	2402.76
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 2nd half of September 1919 amounting to	138.42
Claims appearing on the Poor Department Appropriation Account dated October 6, 1919 amounting to	762.08
Total	$ 71463.93

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Adjourn

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J Carroll

City Clerk.

Monday Evening, October 20, 1919.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck. Absent, Councilman Condict.

Minutes of regular meeting held October 6th were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Comm. Cliffside Citizens Club re-zone system

Communication of October 10th from the Cliffside Citizens' Club, of Grantwood, N. J., respecting zoning legislation for municipalities, and requesting our co-operation thru our State Senator and Assemblymen. Referred to the Laws & Ordinances Committee.

Comm. Hartridge School driveways

Communication of Oct. 13th from the Hartridge School respecting driveways on Plainfield Avenue to Oakwood. Referred to the Street Committee.

Petition acceptance McCrea Place

Petition from Alfio Caponetti and others for acceptance by the City of McCrea Place between Wiley Avenue and Terrill Road. Referred to the Street Committee.

Petition Albert Rajotti for hydrants, extension water & gas service and location of light Jefferson Ave.

Petition from Albert Rajotti and others for ample fire protection along Jefferson Avenue, and that hydrants be placed at the corner of Jefferson Avenue and Front Street, at Jefferson Avenue and North Third Street.

Also requesting the City's aid in securing extension of water service and gas service by the laying of mains from Myrtle Avenue to the bridge over Green Brook just below North Third Street.

Also for the location of a light on Jefferson Avenue at the bridge over Green Brook.

Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee, and also that portion referring to street lighting to the Street Lighting Committee.

File bond F. L. Steffen sergeant-at-arms

Bond of Frederick L. Steffen, as sergeant-at-arms of the District Court of this City, approved as to form by the District Judge, was presented and ordered filed.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:

Comm. Mayor regular Police

Communication was received from his honor, the Mayor, nominating Jacob Thomas Jonas, Dennis Dillon and Dennis O'Sullivan as regular patrolmen as and from October 1, 1919. Referred to the Police Committee.

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Comm. Bd of Police & Mayor, advancement Michael Regan

Communication was received from the Board of Police, Hon. Leighton Calkins, Chairman, recommending the advancement of Michael Regan from Class E to Class D to take effect as and from July 1, 1919, with communication from the Mayor in explanation of the recommendation. Referred to the Police Committee.

File reports Clerk District Court

Report of the Clerk of the District Court for the month of September was presented, read and ordered filed.

Comm. Corp. Counsel respecting his appearance at Newark at hearing N.Y. Telephone Co rate case.

Communication was presented and read from the Corporation Counsel respecting his appearance at Newark before the Public Utilities Commission on October 9th in connection with proposed new schedules for this territory by the New York Telephone Company. Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Suspend Rules to hear Mr Shipping with respect to bldg on Somerset St.

Councilman Force moved rules be suspended to hear Mr. Shippings with respect to proposed building on Somerset Street. So ordered.

Mr. Shippings appeared and asked for advice as to the building line. The Chairman stated that the Council of 1919 is on record that we are going to widen Somerset Street on one or both sides, but in any event it will be more than three feet on the east side.

Councilman Force moved Council return to regular order of business. So ordered.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

CITY HALL BUILDING BY COUNCILMAN ACKERMAN:

No report.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

Offered the following resolution to execute Quit Claim Deed to Oscar W. Smith:

Resolution Execute Quit Claim deed to Oscar W. Smith for lot purchased by City at Tax sale

RESOLVED, That the Mayor and City Clerk be and are hereby authorized to execute in the name of the City quit claim deed to Oscar W. Smith, of Plainfield, New Jersey grantee of the heirs of John Collins, deceased, for lot purchased at tax sale by the City August 29, 1902 and June 8, 1905 and designated on the City tax records as Lot No. 15, of "Properties East of Belvidere Avenue", and to deliver such deed upon payment to the City of the sum of $70.12 being

the balance of taxes now remaining unpaid on said lot as certified by the Collector of Taxes.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY COUNCILMAN McDONOUGH:

Offered the following resolution that the Newark Paving Co. be authorized to substitute other brick for Shawmut:

Resolution authorizing Newark Paving Co to substitute other brick for Shawmut

RESOLVED: That the Newark Paving Company be authorized to substitute Metropolitan or Bessimer brick for Shawmut brick on such portions of the pavement now being constructed by said Company under contract with the City, as the City Engineer may specify, provided such brick to be so substituted shall first meet all tests required by the specifications, to the satisfaction of said Engineer.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Petition E. End Civic Ass'n reported back to be taken up with Corporation Counsel to ascertain if notices served previous to new law still holds.

Reported back petition from the East End Civic Association respecting repair of sidewalks, with report of the Committee which was read. After consideration the matter was referred back to the Committee to be taken up with the Corporation Counsel to ascertain if the notices served previous to the enactment of the new law still holds.

File petition Thos. Callahan rep. Richmond St.

Reported back petition from Thomas Callahan for temporary improvement of Richmond Street with report that the work had been done, and moved the petition be filed. So ordered.

File Comm. from Corporation Counsel - filing in channel of Green Brook

Reported back for filing communication of Sept. 4, 1919, from the Corporation Counsel, with copy of letter sent by the Corporation Counsel by registered mail to the Jersey Silk Mills, respecting the filling in of the natural channel of Green Brook.

Petition John P Stevens repair Woodland Ave

Reported back for filing petition from John P. Stevens and others for repair of a portion of Woodland Ave., with report that the Com mittee will have this work done at an early date.

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Execute and file bond of Frank Mobus. sewer contractor

Presented Bond of Frank Mobus for construction of sewer in Rose Street and Clinton Place, executed by the contractor, and moved the same be duly executed on behalf of the City and filed. So ordered.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HIGHT:

Grant petition Harold Groves install gasoline tank

Reported back petition from Harold Groves for permission to install a gasoline tank at #408 Plainfield Avenue, and moved same be granted. So ordered.

Grant petition Amer. Auto Supplies Co. install gasoline tank

Reported back petition of the American Auto Supplies Co. for permission to install a gasoline tank at 337 West Front Street, and moved same be granted. So ordered.

File communications of Fire + Bldg. Com.

Reported back for filing a number of communications, all of which have been disposed of by the Committee, and which are as follows:

Communication	Mar.	4, 1919	Link-Belt Company
"	"	8. 1919	Ericsson Mfg. Co.
"	"	7, 1919	Wisconsin Motor Co.
"	"	12, 1919	C. W. Mundy (paint fire boxes)
	"	6, 1919	H. J. Harris " " "
	"	6, 1919	Woolston & Buckle " "
"	May	19, 1919	Firemen's Mutual Benevolent Ass

Amendment Ordinance establish, regulate and control Fire Department.

Called up on second reading and final passage an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to further amend an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to establish, regulate and control the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield (Revision of 1914)' approved December 7th, 1914 as heretofore amended", which was read and is as follows::

AN ORDINANCE to further amend an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to establish, regulate and control the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield (Revision of 1914)" approved December 7th, 1914 as heretofore amended.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

SECTION I: That section 3 of the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to establish, regulate and control the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield (Revision of 1914)" approved December 7th, 1914, and as heretofore amended, be and is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 3. Members of the force other than officers shall be divided into four classes according to their respective terms of service, as follows:

Class A-Fourth year of service and over
Class B-Third year of service
Class C-Second year of service
Class D-First year of service

Provided that the Common Council, upon recommendation of the Mayor, may advance any regular member of the force from a lower to a higher class for especially good work or meritorious service whether he shall have served his full time specified above or not; and upon like recommendation may require such member in any class, except Class A, to serve for a longer period than above specified on account of unsatisfactory service during the preceding year.

SECTION 2. That section 4 of said Revision of 1914, as heretofore amended be and is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 4. The pay of the force is hereby fixed as follows, said rates to take effect on and after October 1st, 1919

Chief	$2250 per annum
Assistant Chief	$1900 per annum
Captains	$1700 per annum
Class A	$1400 per annum
Class B	$1300 per annum
Class C	$1200 per annum
Class D	$1100 per annum

Each member of the force shall provide at his own expense, all uniforms and other wearing apparel necessary for his use as from time to time required in compliance with the rules of the department; except that said uniforms and other wearing apparel for members who have not reached Class B, may be paid for by the City, which shall be reimbursed for the cost of any such purchase by deducting from such members' pay ten per cent. of the purchase price each month until the full amount thereof has been paid back to the City; and all such uniforms and wearing apparel for which the City has advanced the purchase price, shall be regarded as the property of the City until the City has been fully reimbursed therefor as above specified.

The times from which the several dates of service in the fire department of the city are to be calculated are the dates at which the continuous service of the members respectively commenced. The captains and firemen in the various classes shall be paid for the number of full days only of service actually performed by them respectively and for such vacation periods as may from time to time be granted them by due authority, except that they severally may, at

the descretion of the Committee on Fire and Buildings, be paid for any time not exceeding two weeks during which they severally shall be incapacitated by sickness or other physical disability; but if absent for any reason for more than two weeks, they shall be paid only if and as authorized by the Common Council.

Every salary established by this ordinance shall be payable, at the rate fixed therein, in equal semi-monthly installments.

Adopt Ordinance

Councilman Hight moved adoption of the ordinance on second reading and final passage. So ordered upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Refer petition of Hyman Diamond for school in West End to Bd. of Education

Reported back petition from Hyman Diamond and others for a new school in the vicinity of Jefferson Avenue, with report that this being a matter for the Board of Education, moved that the City Clerk refer the petition to the Board of Education and so advise the petitioners. So ordered.

File Communication Corporation Counsel hearing on application of N.Y. Telephone Co for change in rates

Reported back communication from the Corporation Counsel respecting hearing by the Public Utilities Commission on application of the New York Telephone Company for change in rates, with copy of letter of Oct. 16th from the attorney for the N. Y. Tel. Co., and moved they be filed.

Councilman Sminck amended the motion, that the said two communications be incorporated in the minutes, and filed. So ordered. The said communications are as follows:

October 18, 1919.

Hon. Common Council
City of Plainfield, N. J.
Gentlemen:-

Comm. from Corporation Counsel

Pursuant to your direction I attended the hearing on October 9th at Newark on the matter of the application of the New York Telephone Company to the Board of Public Utility Commissioners. I entered appearance for the City of Plainfield and asked for time in which the City may determine whether or not it desires to be heard. The statute provides that when a public utility such as the Telephone Company files a proposed schedule of rates that rate shall become operative at the expiration of ninety days unless in the meantime the Board of Public Utilities is satisfied by evidence submitted before it at a hearing that the rate proposed is excessive

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and makes an order to that effect, which order is reviewable by the higher courts on the evidence submitted to the Board. The basic question in issue in these cases is the true value of the property involved and the cost of operating it. The courts hold that the company is entitled to a fair profit upon its investment. So in order to defeat any proposed schedule of rates it is necessary that the value of the property and the expenses of operation shall be ascertained by evidence as to the facts.

In this case the Board determined that the company should submit its formal proofs as to the facts and then permit any interested municipality to cross-examine the witness for the Company and to produce evidence to controvert them if it chose. The Company proceeded with its formal proof but before completing the same the matter was adjourned to October 23 when the Company will continue its evidence. When that is in a day will be fixed when municipalities may cross-examine and introduce such evidence as they may have. The Board itself will also employ experts to testify as to the questions at issue.

The Company is asking that the toll rates heretofore established during the war by the Federal Government, be continued, instead of reverting to the rates previously established by order of the Board of Public Utility Commissioners. It is also proposing some changes in the rates charged for telephones in Plainfield and in other municipalities.

I hand you herewith copy of the testimony taken on October 9th and of the schedule of proposed rates and exhibits produced that day. Also a letter from the attorney of the Telephone Company Franklin Briggs, Jr. dated October 16, and addressed to me which letter states in detail the extent to which Plainfield will be affected if the propoeed changes in local service are made. Mr. Swayze, General Counsel for the Telephone Company expressed his willingness to come to Plainfield and attend any meeting of your Committee on Public Affairs of which he was given reasonable notice, and to then and there furnish any information in his possession which might show that the attitude of his company is reasonable and necessary. In other words he offers to explain the whole situation to the Committee in order that it may be fully apprized.

Having now done all that I was authorized to do I leave the matter in your hands.

Very respectfully,

CHAS. A. REED

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New York, October 16, 1919.

Communication from Attorney of N.Y. Tel. Co. to Senator Reed

HONORABLE CHARLES A. REED
Counsel to the Corporation
City of Plainfield
N e w J e r s e y.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Swayze has referred to me your letter of October 14, 1919. I am sending you a photographed copy of the schedules filed with the Board by the New York Telephone Company showing the exchange rates applicable to the territory served by that Company in New Jersey. In addition I am enclosing, in accordance with your request, copies of EXHIBITS P-1, P-2, P-3 and P-4, which were filed by the Company at the hearing last week.

The testimony which we are introducing to support our petition for the approval of the proposed schedule was not completed and another hearing will be held on October 23, at which time we will continue the presentation of our case. I will send you copies of such exhibits as are filed at that or succeeding hearings.

The proposed schedules of rates include the rates made effective by the Postmaster General during the period of Federal control for toll and long distance service and for service-connections and removals. These rates were country-wide in their application and have been in full force and effect for many months and no changes are contemplated.

With respect to the exchange rate schedule, the rates in Plainfield will be materially affected. The net effect, however, is in the nature of a very considerable reduction. The class of service known as business 4-party service will be abolished. The rate for this has been $30 for 600 calls. There are 46 stations in Plainfield, paying an average of $32.16 per year. Assuming that all of these take individual line service at $36 for 600 calls and use the same amount of service, their average payment will be $37.15 per year, an increase of about $5 per station, for which they will receive a vastly better grade of service. The purpose of this change is to eliminate an undesirable class of service. It is the Company's view that the traffic handled over a business telephone is usually too heavy to be handled advantageously on a 4-party line. The total increase in revenue to the Company in the event of the present 4-party business station being changed to individual lines will only be $230. On the other hand, Plainfield will be favored by reduction in the flat rate residence service as follows:

Individual line	will	be	reduced	from	$42 to $39
2-party	"	"	"	"	$36 to $33
4-party	"	"	"	"	$30 to $27
Outer-zone		"	"	"	$30 to $27

This affects a large number of subscribers and will cause a decrease in the revenue in Plainfield amounting to over $8900 on these four classes of service. The purpose of the Company in making this change is to bring the rates in Plainfield to the same figure as that charged for similar service in localities of similar size and development. The number of stations affected by these reduced rates is almost 6000.

Yours very truly,

FRANKLAND BRIGGS
Attorney.

ATTACHED:
Photographed copies of schedules
Exhibits P-1 to P-4 inclusive
FB:CRL

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Called up on second reading an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to further amend the ordinance entitled, 'An Ordinance to create and define the duties of a Board of Police and a Police Force' approved February 28th, 1882, as heretofore amended", which was read and is as follows:

Amendment Ordinance Create, and define duties Board of Police and Police Force

An Ordinance to further amend the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to create and define the duties of a Board of Police and a Police Force" approved February 28th, 1882, as heretofore amended.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

SECTIONI. That section 3 of the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to create and define the duties of a Board of Police and a Police Force", approved February 28th, 1882, and as heretofore amended, be and ishereby amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 3. The Police Force shall consist of such number of regular policemen and special policemen, each of whom shall be a resident and legally qualified voter of this City, as the Common Council shall from time to time deem necessary, and by resolution order to be appointed. The regular policemen shall rank as follows: Chief of Police, Captain, Lieutenant, Sergeants, and Patrolmen. Special Policemen shall not be ranked.

The duties of the several members and

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officers of the said Police Force shall be those prescribed by the laws of the State, the ordinances of the City and the rules and regulations that may from time to time be prescribed and established by resolution of the Common Council for the better government and discipline of the Police Department.

The Patrolmen shall be divided into four (4) classes, viz:

Class A-Fourth year of service and over
Class B-Third year of service
Class C-Second year of service
Class D-First year of service

Provided that the Common Council upon recommendation of the Mayor or of the Board of Police may advance a patrolman from a lower to a higher class for especially good work or meritorious service, whether he shall have served his full time specified above or not, and upon like recommendation may require a patrolman in any class, except Class A, to serve for a longer period than above specified on account of unsatisfactory service during the preceding year.

The salaries of the members of the force who are regular policemen are hereby fixed at the following rates from and after October first, 1919, that is to say:

Chief	$2500 per annum
Captain	$1900 per annum
Lieutenant	$1700 per annum
Sergeants	$1600 per annum
Patrolmen:	
Class A	$1400 per annum
Class B	$1300 per annum
Class C	$1200 per annum
Class D	$1100 per annum

Personal equipment such as revolvers, ammunition, batons shields, badges, etc., shall be supplied to each of such officers and policemen free of cost. Each of them, however shall provide at his own expense all uniforms and other wearing apparel necessary for his use, as from time to time required by the Board of Police in compliance with therules of the department; except that said uniforms and other wearing apparel for Patrolmen who have not reached Class B may be paid for by the City which shall be reimbursed for the cost of any such purchase by deducting from such patrolman's pay ten per cent. of the purchase price each month until the full amount thereof has been paid back to the City; and all such uniforms and wearing apparel for which the City has advanced the purchase price shall be regarded as the property of the City until the City has been fully reimbursed therefor as above specified.

No special policemen shall be entitled to any pay except for service rendered by virtue of an order of the Board of Police or Mayor specifying such service, and for such service shall be paid only such amount as may

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be fixed by resolution of the Common Council, or of the Board of Police and approved by the Common Council.

The times from which the several dates of service in the police department of the city are to be calculated are the dates at which the continuous service of said regular policemen, respectively, commenced. Said Lieutenant, Sergeants and Patrolmen shall be paid at said rates for the number of full days only of service actually performed by them respectively, and for such vacation periods as from time to time the Board of Police may determine; except that they severally may, at the discretion of the Board of Police, be paid for any time not exceeding two weeks during which they severally shall be incapacitated from the performance of duty by reason of sickness or other physical disability; but if absent for any reason for more than two weeks, they shall be paid only if and as authorized by the Common Council.

Every salary established by this ordinance shall be payable, at the rate fixed therein, in equal semi-monthly installments.

Adoption of Ordinance

Councilman McDonough moved adoption of the ordinance on second reading and final passage. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Ordinance fix salaries of certain members of Police Force at amounts named in unsigned petition

Called up on second reading an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to fix salaries of certain members of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield, at the amounts named in a certain unsigned petition, provided such amounts are first approved on referendum", which was read and is as follows:

AN ORDINANCE to fix salaries of certain members of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield, at the amounts named in a certain unsigned petition, provided such amounts are first approved on referendum.

WHEREAS on the 26th day of September 1919 a certain unsigned petition was presented to the Clerk of the City of Plainfield and filed in his office, which petition is in the words and figures following, to wit:

"PETITION

"To the Honorable: The Members of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield.

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"We, the undersigned voters of the City of Plainfield, in compliance with Article 13 of the laws of 1918, respectfully petition your HonorableBody to submit to the popular vote of the Citizens of Plainfield, the fixing of salaries and wages of the members of the Police Department, at the following amounts, namely:

For the Office of Captain	$2,250 per annum
For the Office of Lieutenant	$2,000 per annum
For the Office of Sergeant	$1,900 per annum
For the Office of Patrolmen	
For the first year of Service	$1,300 per annum
For the second year of service	$1,450 per annum
For the third year of Service	$1,600 per annum
For the fourth year of Service and for every year of Service thereafter	$1,700 per annum"

AND WHEREAS, attached to said unsigned petition there was another petition signed by a large number of persons, which second and signed petition so attached to the first and unsigned petition is in the words and figures following, to wit:

"To the Honorable: The Members of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield.

"We, the undersigned voters of the City of Plainfield, in compliance with Article 13 of the laws of 1918 respectfully petition your Honorable Body to submit to the popular vote of the citizens of Plainfield, the fixing of salaries and wages of the memberw of the Police Department."

AND WHEREAS said two petitions were on October 6th, 1919 for the first time submitted to the governing body, the Common Council, of said City, that being the date of the first meeting of said body following the filing of said petitions with said City Clerk.

AND WHEREAS although no proof has been submitted that either of said petitions is signed by twenty per centum of the legal voters of said City and although said signed petition does not state any amount of salary proposed by the signers thereof, yet it is alleged on behalf of such signers that the filing of said petitions with the City Clerk was tantamount to presenting the same to said Common Council, and sufficient to require said Common Council to enact an ordinance fixing said salaries at the amounts named in said unsigned petition, and fixing a time, when the said salaries should commence, subject to a referendum at the next general election.

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AND WHEREAS the said Common Council questions the validity of said petitions under the statute, but is not unwilling to facilitate the request of the petitioners that the question involved be submitted to the voters of the City if it shall be determined by the proper officer, charged with the duty of placing the question upon the ballots, that there has been compliance with the statutory requirements; therefore:

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

Section I. The salaries of the hereinafter designated regular members of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield, from and after the first day of January next following any general election at which such rates or salaries shall be approved by referendum vote pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, are hereby fixed at the following rates.

Captain	$2250 per annum
Lieutenant	$2000 per annum
Sergeants	$1900 per annum
Patrolmen	
Class A (fourth year of service and thereafter)	$1700 per annum
Class B (third year of service)	$1600 per annum
Class C (second year of service)	$1450 per annum
Class D (first year of service)	$1300 per annum

Section 2. Except so far as effects salaries of the regular members of the force designated herein, this ordinance shall in no wise effect or modify any other ordinance of the City of Plainfield concerning its Police Force; and those members of said force embraced in the provisions of this ordinance shall continue to furnish all required uniforms and wearing apparel as heretofore.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be of no effect unless and before its provisions are ratified on referendum by majority vote of the legal voters of the City of Plainfield at a general election as provided by statute.

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Adoption of Ordinance

Chairman McDonough moved adoption of the ordinance on second reading and final passage. So ordered upon a call of the roll Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough and Maynard and President Hylan voting in the affirmative; Councilman Sminck voting in the negative.

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of regular policemen, and offered the following resolution confirming the same:

Resolution Regular Policemen

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor of

Jacob Thomas Jonas
Dennis Dillon
Dennis O'Sullivan

as Regular Policemen of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield, as and from October 1, 1919.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported back for filing the recommendation of the Police Board for advancement of Michael Regan and offered the following resolution confirming the advancement:

Resolution advancement Michael Regan

RESOLVED, That the Common Council on the recommendation of the Board of Police, and for the reasons therein stated, hereby advances the following Patrolman from a lower to a higher class on account of meritorious service:

MICHAEL REGAN from Class E to Class D to take effect as and from July 1, 1919.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck, and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE.

No report.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

Re communication dropping circulars from aeroplanes.

Reported back communication of August 15th from the Corporation Counsel respecting the dropping of circulars from aeroplanes, with report that no action need be taken at this time, and moved the communication be filed. So ordered.

NEW BUSINESS:

Pictures presented to City by Dr. Coles placed in Public Library

Councilman Sminck reported back for filing communication of Oct. 6, 1919, from Dr. J. Ackerman Coles, respecting donation of pictures, to the City of Plainfield, with report that the pictures had been placed in the Public Library, to the satisfaction of the City and to Dr. Coles the liberal donor.

Councilman Sminck offered the following resolution for additional compensation to the members of the Board of Assessors for services during 1918:

Resolution additional compensation to members of Bd. Assessors

RESOLVED, that in the judgment of this Common Council the sum of Two Hundred Dollars should be paid to each of the four Tax Assessors of the City of Plainfield to properly compensate him for labor and services performed and furnished during the months of October, November and December 1918, owing to requirements of the act entitled "An Act for the Assessment and Collection of Taxes" (Revision 1918) and that the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars is hereby appropriated for that purpose and Two Hundred Dollars thereof directed to be paid out of any funds of said City available for that purpose to each of said four Assessors, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 229 of the Laws of 1919.

RESOLVED FURTHER that warrants be drawn accordingly.

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This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Introduce Ordinance concerning salaries of Certain City Officials

Councilman Sminck introduced an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance concerning the salaries of certain City officials", which was read and is as follows:

An Ordinance Concerning the Salaries of Certain City Officials.

WHEREAS the terms of office of the present incumbents of the following named City Officials, respectively, expire on the following dates, to wit:-

Assessor of Taxes	January 1, 1920
City Physician	January 1, 1921
Overseer of the Poor	January 1, 1922
City Judge	January 1, 1920
Street Commissioner	January 1, 1922
City Engineer	January 1, 1922
City Treasurer and ex-officio custodian of School money	January 1, 1923
City Clerk	January 1, 1921
Counsel to the Corporation	January 1, 1920

AND WHEREAS the salaries attached to said offices respectively, have heretofore been fixed by resolution and it is now required that they be fixed and established by ordinance, at the same amounts so far as concerns the present incumbents whose salaries cannot be increased during their terms of office, and that proper amounts be fixed as salaries attached to said offices respectively, to be payable to persons subsequently elected or appointed thereto.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield by their Common Council do enact as follows:-

1. The salaries of the present incumbents for current terms of the following named City Offices, respectively, to wit:- Assessor of Taxes, City Physician, Overseer of the Poor, City Judge, Street Commissioner, City Engineer, City Treasurer, and ex-officio custodian of School money, City Clerk, and Counsel to the Corporation, are hrerby established by ordinance at the same amounts respectively at which said present salaries were heretofore fixed by resolution.

2. The salaries attached to said City offices respectively for terms succeeding the present incumbents and payable to persons who may hereafter be elected or appointed to such offices whether to fill unexpired

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terms or full terms shall be and hereby are established respectively as follows:

Assessors of Taxes	$400 per annum
City Physician	400 per annum
Overseer of the Poor	1300 per annum
City Judge	1700 per annum
Street Commissioner	2050 per annum
City Engineer	1200 per annum
City Treasurer and ex-officio Custodian of School money	2000 per annum
City Clerk	2750 per annum
Counsel to the Corporation	4200 per annum

3. The salaries established by the foregoing sections of this ordinance shall be payable at the rates therein fixed in equal semi-monthly installments, except the salary of the Assessor which shall be payable in two equal installments, one as of June 15th, and the other as of December 15th in each year. Said salaries respectively shall be in lieu of any and all fees to which the respective incumbents of said offices might otherwise be entitled by statute or ordinance, which fees shall immediately upon collection thereof be paid over to the City Treasurer for the use of the City.

Advertise Ordinance

Councilman Sminck moved that the ordinance be duly advertised. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Resolution laid on table respecting erection bronze tablet in City Hall in appreciation of services of soldiers

Sminck
Councilman offered a resolution respecting the erection of a bronze tablet in or about the City Hall in grateful appreciation of the services of our soldiers. After consideration of the same, Councilman Hight moved that the resolution be laid on the table. So ordered.

Authorize Public Affairs Committee to issue statement to voters concerning public square

The Chairman called attention to the question of furnishing information to the public, through the press, respecting the proposed public square. After consideration of this, Councilman Lovell moved that the matter be referred to the Public Affairs Committee to present the matter in as fair a light as possible, with all the arguments for or against the proposed square, with power to expend such amount of money as is necessary to present the matter to the voters. So ordered upon a call of the roll Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and President Hylan voting in the affirmative; Councilman Sminck voting in the negative.

Councilman Force reported that at a recent meeting of the Business Men's Association the matter of the Building Code was brought up and the question asked as to why it had

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Building Code to be brought up + matter disposed of

never been published, and that he had been requested to ask the Council why this Code had not been issued.

After explanation of the situation by the Corporation Counsel and members of the Council, the President requested the members of the Council to consider the matter with the view of taking the matter up later for final disposition.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Reported all claims presented as correct and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

Resolution Pay claims

RESOLVED: That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Officials and General Office Employees for the 1st half of October 1919, amounting to	540.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 1st half of October 1919, amounting to	1858.13
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 1st half of October 1919, amounting to	202.34
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Permanent Pavement Account for the 1st half of October 1919, amounting to	194.97
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the State Highway Account for the 1st half of October 1919, amounting to	62.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 1st half of October 1919, amounting to	50.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 1st half of October 1919 amounting to	62.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 1st half of October 1919 amounting to	120.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 1st half of October, 1919, amounting to	220.42
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Department for the 1st half of October 1919, amounting to	45.84

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 1sthalf of October 1919, amounting to	1587.46	
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 1st half of October 1919, amounting to	1263.10	
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 1st half of October 1919, amounting to	137.66	
Claims appearing on the Interest on Steam Roller Bonds Appropriation Account dated October 20, 1919 amounting to	70.00	
Claims appearing on the Interest on Sewer Bonds Appropriation Account dated October 20, 1919, amounting to	4970.00	
Claims appearing on the Interest on School Bonds Appropriation Account dated October 20, 1919, amounting to	1100.00	$12486.08

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J Carroll

City Clerk.

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Monday evening, November 3, 1919.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck. Absent, Councilman Ackerman.

Minutes of regular meeting held Oct. 20th were read and approved.

Councilman Ackerman came in while minutes were being read.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Petition Jas. E. Martine-Lights Cedar Brook Rd.

Petition from James E. Martine and others for additional lights on Cedar Brook Road. Referred to the Street Lighting Committee.

Petition Andrew G. Belknap-Gasoline Tank

Petition from Andrew G. Belknap for permission to install a gasoline tank on Watchung Avenue opposite new sales room now being erected by petitioner. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

File Bond Frank Mobus contractor

Bond of Frank Mobus to the City, dated October 13, 1919, for construction of sanitary sewers in Rose Street and Clinton Place, duly executed and approved by the Corporation Counsel, was presented and ordered filed.

Petition Edwin M. Daniel 2d Taxes

Petition from Edwin M. Daniel, 2nd, respecting apportionment of taxes on property known as Lot 2, Block 137, for the year 1918, was presented and referred to the Finance Committee.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:

Mayor's Comm. nominating Special Police.

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, nominating Walter Merritt as a Special Policeman. Referred to the Police Committee.

Mayors Comm. recommending increase salary Thomas O'Gorman

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, as Chairman of the Police Board, recommending that the salary of Thomas O'Gorman be raised from $1000 to $1100, the same to take effect October 1, 1919. Referred to the Police Committee.

Comm. Corporation Counsel- insolvency Casualty Co. of Am. on bond P. F. Kenny

Communication dated Oct. 30th, 1919, was received from the Corporation Counsel, submitting letter and report therein referred to, in the matter of the insolvency of the Casualty Company of America on bond of P. F. Kenny Co., which were read and referred to Finance Committee.

File report Collector Treasurer, Insp. of Bldgs. Overseer of Poor, City Clerk

Report of the Treasurer, of the Collector, Inspector of Buildings, Overseer of the Poor and City Clerk, for the month of October, were each read and ordered filed.

Report of Engr. Charge of Sewers filed

Report of the Engineer in Charge of sewers, of sewer permits granted during the month of October, (16), was read and ordered filed.

File report of Treas. Sinking Fund Commission

Report of the Treasurer of the Sinking Fund Commission, showing requirements for term bonds for the year 1920, in accordance with Chapter 243, Section 15, of P. L. 1918, which was read and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

Offered the following resolution to employ Bowers & Suffern to audit the City's books for the year 1919:

Resolution employ Bowers & Suffern to audit City books.

RESOLVED, That the firm of Bowers and Suffern be, and they hereby are, employed to audit the books and accounts of the City of Plainfield for the year1919 at a cost of $1150.00.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Called up on second reading an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance concerning the salaries of certain city officers". The clerk read the ordinance for its second reading which is as follows:

2nd Reading Ordinance concerning salaries of Certain City Officials.

An Ordinance Concerning the Salaries of Certain City Officials.

WHEREAS the terms of office of the present incumbents of the following named City Offices, respectively, expire on the following dates, to wit:-

Assessor of Taxes	January 1, 1920
City Physician	January 1, 1921
Overseer of the Poor	January 1, 1922
City Judge	January 1, 1920
Street Commissioner	January 1, 1922
City Engineer	January 1, 1922
City Treasurer and ex-officio custodian of School money	January 1, 1923
City Clerk	January 1, 1921
Counsel to the Corporation	January 1, 1920

AND WHEREAS the salaries attached to said offices respectively, have heretofore been fixed by resolution and it is now required that they be fixed and established by ordinance, at the same amounts so far as concerns the present incumbents whose salaries cannot be increased during their terms of office, and that proper amounts be fixed as salaries attached to said offices respectively, to be payable to persons subsequently elected or appointed thereto.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield by their Common Council do enact as follows:-

1. The salaries of the present incumbents for current terms of the following named City Offices, respectively, to wit:- Assessor of Taxes, City Physician, Overseer of the Poor, City Judge, Street Commissioner, City Engineer, City Treasurer, and ex-officio custodian of School money, City Clerk, and Counsel to the Corporation, are hereby established by ordinance at the same amounts respectively at which said present salaries were heretofore fixed by resolution.

2. The salaries attached to said City offices respectively for terms succeeding the present incumbents and payable to persons who may hereafter be elected or appointed to such offices whether to fill unexpired terms or full terms shall be and hereby are established respectively as follows:-

Assessors of Taxes	$400 per annum
City Physician	400 per annum
Overseer of the Poor	1300 per annum
City Judge	1700 per annum
Street Commissioner	2050 per annum
City Engineer	1200 per annum
City Treasurer and ex-officio custodian of School money	2000 per annum
City Clerk	2750 per annum
Counsel to the Corporation	4200 per annum

3. The salaries established by the foregoing sections of this ordinance shall be payable at the rates therein fixed in equal semi-monthly installments, except the salary of the Assessor which shall be payable in two equal installments, one as of June 15th, and the other as of December 15th in each year. Said salaries respectively shall be in lieu of any and all fees to which the respective incumbents of said offices might otherwise be entitled by statute or ordinance, which fees shall immediately upon collection thereof be paid over to the City Treasurer for the use of the City.

Adopt Ordinance on final passage

Chairman Sminck moved adoption of the ordinance on second reading and final passage. So ordered upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY CHAIRMAN CONDICT:

Offered the following resolution for the widening of Watchung Avenue under Improvement Ordinance No. 201:

Resolution - Widening of Watchung Ave. / City Clerk file ordinance & map with Bd. of Assessors - Hearing of persons interested - St. Commissioner to send notice to all property owners.

RESOLVED that a copy of the Ordinance entitled, "Improvement Ordinance No. 201", (Being an Ordinance to widen and alter portions of Watchung Avenue between the City line in Green Brook and the Northwesterly side of the right of way of the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey, and provide for establishing of curb lines, the installation of house connections with sanitary sewers, inlets to storm sewers and the construction of street pavement and other improvements in connection with such widening and also to repeal the ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to alter and widen Watchung Avenue on the Southwesterly side, from East Front Street to a point 103.65 feet Southeast of East Second Street and on the Northeasterly side from the City Line in Greenbrook to East Second Street" approved August 9, 1918), adopted October 6, 1919 and approved by the Mayor October 8, 1919, and contemplating the taking of certain lands for that purpose, be duly attested by the City Clerk and together with the map prepared under the direction of this body which accompanied said ordinance and which is referred to therein, showing in detail the location and dimensions of such land proposed to be taken, be filed without delay by said City Clerk with the Board of Assessors of the City of Plainfield, that being the Board charged with the duty of making general assessments of taxes in said City, and there being no other Board therein, provided by law or by Ordinance for the making of all assessments for benefits accruing from local improvements, or for damages resulting therefrom: and

RESOLVED FURTHER that the several members of said Board of Assessors shall before the commencement of their duties in these premises be respectively sworn by an officer duly authorized to administer oaths, for the faithful performance

of such duties and thereafter shall view the lands to be taken and those affected thereby, and thereupon shall fix a time and place for the hearing of all persons interested: and

RESOLVED FURTHER that notice of such time and place of hearing, and of the purpose thereof shall be given by the Street Commissioner of the City of Plainfield by advertisement inserted and published once in The Plainfield Courier-News a newspaper circulating in said City, at least ten days before the date set for said hearing, and by mailing a copy of such advertisement to the owners of all lands to be taken, directed to the last known Post Office addresses of such owners at least ten days before the date set for such hearing, and that said Street Commissioner file with said Board of Assessors and with the City Clerk due proof of the publication and mailing of said notices: and

RESOLVED FURTHER that said Board of Assessors shall proceed in the premises according to the form of the Statutes in such case made and provided: and

RESOLVED FURTHER that the aforesaid notice to be published and mailed may be in substantially the following form: viz:-

"CORPORATION NOTICE
Re Widening and Improvement of Watchung Avenue.

To all persons interested.

Take notice that the Board of Assessors of the City of Plainfield, to whom has been referred the matter of making awards to the owners thereof for lands to be taken for the widening and improvement of Watchung Avenue under the Ordinance of said City entitled, "Improvement Ordinance No. 201". (Being an ordinance to widen and alter portions of Watchung Avenue between the City line in Greenbrook and the Northwesterly side of the right of way of the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey, and provide for establishing of curb lines, the installation of house connections, with sanitary sewers, inlets to storm sewers and the construction of street pavement and other improvements in connection with such widening and also to repeal the ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to alter andwiden Watchung Avenue on the Southwesterly side, from East Front Street to a point 103.65 feet Southeast of East Second Street and on the Northeasterly side from the City Line in Greenbrook to East Second Street"

approved August 9, 1918), will meet in the office of the Street Commissioner of said City in the City Hall Building on Watchung Avenue on 1919, at o'clock, at which time and place, and any subsequent time and place to which said Board may publicly adjourn, said Board of Assessors will attend and give all parties interested or affected, ample opportunity to be heard upon the subject and to produce evidence and witnesses in regard thereto. The Board being charged with the duty of making award for damages to the owners of the lands to be taken such owners should not fail to attend such hearing.

Board of Assessors of the
City of Plainfield.
By order of the Common Council of said City.
Andrew J. Gavett
Street Commissioner.
Dated 1919."

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

File petition Hartridge School driveways

Reported back for filing petition from the Hartridge School relative to improvement of driveways, with report that the Common Council cannot comply with their request, and moved that the City Clerk so advise the petitioners. So ordered.

File petition Alfio Caponetti for acceptance McCrea Place.

Reported back for filing petition of Alfio Caponetti and others for acceptance of McCrea Place, with report that this street, before being accepted, should be graded and macadamized, this being the policy of the City in such matters, and moved that the Street Commissioner so advise the petitioners. So ordered.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HIGHT:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Committee reported that Public Square proposition had been presented to people.

Reported that at the last meeting the Committee was directed to present to the people the Public Square proposition, which has been done.

Councilman Hight gave verbal report on sale of army supplies

The Chairman inquired of Councilman Hight, who had charge of the sale of Government supplies, if he had any report to make. Councilman Hight reported that he had bought in the neighborhood of $5000 worth of merchandise, that it has all been sold, and that he believed he had enough money to pay all of the accounts without using any of the money set aside by the City for that purpose.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Reported back for filing communication from the Mayor, and offered the following resolution to confirm the nomination of Walter Merritt as a special policeman:

Resolution confirm appointment Special Police

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

WALTER MERRITT

as Special Policeman of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield, to serve until January 1, 1920, at such compensation and for such service as the Board of Police may fix and determine.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Graves, Hight, Hull, Force, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported back for filing the Mayor's recommendation that the salary of Mr. Thomas O'Gorman be increased to $1100, and offered the following resolution authorizing the increase:

Resolution increase salary Thomas O'Gorman

RESOLVED, That on the recommendation of the Board of Police the salary of Special Policeman Thomas O'Gorman, attached at Police Headquarters, be and the same hereby is fixed at $1100, being the salary of Class D men, to be effective as of October 1, 1919.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Introduce Ordinance to prescribe duties of Corporation Counsel

Councilman Sminck introduced an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to prescribe the duties of the Counsel to the Corporation (Revision of 1919), which was read and is as follows:

An Ordinance to prescribe the duties of the Counsel to the Corporation (Revision of 1919)

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council do enact as follows:

Section I. The Counsel to the Corporation shall perform the duties imposed by statute upon the legal adviser of cities of the second class by whatever title or description such officers may be designated and he shall be the legal adviser of the Common Council and of the Mayor and of the head of each City Department in all official matters. He shall prosecute and defend all legal or equitable actions or proceedings in any court of the State of New Jersey in which the City or any officer thereof as such is interested when so ordered by the Common Council and shall appear therein as attorney and Counsel for the City. He shall from time to time when required advise the Common Council and their committees and officers respectively upon all city matters which may be submitted to him for his opinion, and draw all such ordinances, resolutions, legislative bills and other official documents as may be required of him by the Common Council, or any committee thereof or by the Mayor.

Section II. He shall institute an action or proceeding in the name of the City or otherwise whenever instructed so to do by the Common Council or by any authorized committee thereof or by the Mayor, and upon complaint of any responsible person when in his judgment the public interest requires that

the same be prosecuted he may institute action or proceedings for violation of any City ordinance.

Section III. By consent of the Mayor or of the chairman of the committee on Laws & Ordinances he may compromise at any time any action for violation of any city ordinance and by consent of the Common Council he may compromise any other action, suit, proceeding or controversy to which the city or any officer as such is a party. He shall not appeal any action or proceeding in which judgment has been rendered against the city except by direction of the Common Council.

Section IV. He shall keep records of all actions, suits, and proceedings which he prosecutes or defends as counsel to the corporation and itemized accounts of all money received or disbursed by him as such official and shall promptly pay over to the City Treasurer any and all money coming into his hands for the use of the City, He shall also report in detail to the Common Council whenever so directed by it all such receipts and disbursements together with the titles and particulars of each and every action, suit, or proceeding then pending and undetermined in which the City is interested, and shall act in regard thereto in such manner as the Common Council may direct.

Section V. The salary to be paid to the Counsel to the Corporation shall be in full compensation as between him and the City for all services he may be required to render under this ordinance: but he shall nevertheless be entitled to receive and retain all taxable costs in any action, suit or proceeding which may be conducted or defended by him as such counsel and also shall be reimbursed by the City for all disbursements made and expenses incurred in the performance of his duty, including the expense of such clerical or other assistance as he may from time to time be authorized by resolution of the Common Council to employ.

Section VI. Upon the expiration of his term of office, which is fixed by statute, or his resignation or removal therefrom he shall forthwith on demand deliver to his successor in office all deeds, leases, contracts and other documents then in his hands as counsel to the corporation and all papers in actions in which the city is interested then pending and undetermined, together with a written consent of substitution of his successor as attorney and counsel for the city in such actions then pending, and he shall likewise forthwith account for and pay over to the City Treasurer all money, if any, then in his hands belonging to the City.

Section VII. The ordinance entitled "An ordinance to prescribe the duties of the Counsel to the Corporation" approved July 26, 1869 is hereby repealed.

Section VIII. This ordinance shall take effect December 31st, 1919.

Advertise ordinance

Councilman Sminck moved that the ordinance be engrossed or typewritten and duly advertised. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Councilman Sminck introduced an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance creating a General Board of Commissioners of Assessments", which was read and is as follows:

Introduce ordinance to create General Bd. of Commissioners of Assessment.

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A GENERAL BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF ASSESSMENTS.

Whereas no board is now provided by law or by ordinance for the making of all assessments for benefits from local improvements in the City of Plainfield and in the judgment of the Common Council of said City such a board should now be created for that purpose in said City under the statutes in such case made and provided.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

Section 1. That a board to be known as Commissioners of Assessments, be and is hereby created in and for the City of Plainfield, and charged with the duty of making all assessments for benefits accruing from local improvements therein after this ordinance becomes effective, as well as the performance of such other duties as may by law be cast upon such body. Said board shall consist of three persons each of whom shall be a resident and legal voter of said City, and who shall be entitled to receive from said City such compensation as the Common Council thereof may from time to time by resolution provide in view of the value of the service rendered.

Section 2. The term of office of the members of such board shall be three years. The first term shall begin as of January 1st, 1920 at twelve o'clock noon. Vacancies in said board shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as vacancies for the full term.

Section 3. As of January 1st, 1920, and whenever vacancies occur thereafter the Mayor shall nominate and

by and with the advice and consent of the Common Council shall appoint persons to serve as members of said board.

Section 4. That the members of such board shall qualify by taking oath to faithfully perform the duties of the office and shall annually or oftener choose one of their number as chairman and another as secretary. The board may adopt rules of proceedure, and establish stated meetings, but shall meet if and whenever occasion may require. A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum to transact business but a single member thereof shall have power to adjourn any meeting when no other member is present.

Section 5. In case any member of the board is interested in any assessment, award or matter which such board is required to consider such board shall at once report that fact to the Common Council, whereupon such member shall ipso facto be relieved from all duty and power concerning such matter and his place shall be filled by nomination and appointment of another person to serve as a special member of said board in his place and stead in the matter in which he is so interested. Such special member shall be nominated and appointed in the same manner as were the original members of the board, but such special members shall serve only in the matter in which the regular member is interested, and shall cease to be a member of said board when that matter is concluded.

Section 6, Such board shall proceed to make all assessments for benefits accruing from local improvements in the City of Plainfield, and all awards for lands taken and for damages in such matters and to perform all of its duties as speedily as may be and in the manner provided by law.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect on the thirty-first day of December A. D. 1919 and all ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Councilman Sminck moved that the ordinance be engrossed or typewritten and duly advertised. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Councilman Sminck,having been granted permission to

Councilman Smith read communication regarding erection of tablet in City Hall in memory of soldiers.

read a letter addressed to himself, read a communication from Mr. Elliot T. Barrows urging the erection of a tablet in or about the City Hall to the memory of the Plainfield men who entered the war.

Refer establishing of neutral zone to Public Affairs Committee

Councilman Maynard called attention to establishment in other cities of what is known as a Neutral Zone in the business section of the City, and moved that the matter of establishing such a zone in Plainfield be referred to the Public Affairs Committee to be taken up with the Public Service Ry. Co., and that the Neutral Zone be on Front Stree from Madison Avenue to Watchung Avenue. So ordered.

Posts in front of City Hall not erected as yet -

Councilman Ackerman called the attention of the Chairman of the Fire & Buildings Committee to the fact that the posts in front of the City Hall had not as yet been erected, and inquired if it were not possible to have this done.

Councilman Hight reported that the posts have been in th City for some time. Councilman Maynard reported that he could secure the services of a truck with a derrick to set these posts, whereupon Councilman Hight reported that he thought the matter could be arranged.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Reported all claims presented as correct, and offered th following resolution to pay the same:

Resolution Pay Claims.

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Officials and General Office Employees for the 2nd half of October 1919, amounting to	540.83
Claims appearing on the Miscellaneous Appropriation Account dated November 3rd 1919, amounting to	1143.34
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 2nd half of October, 1919, amounting to	2133.33
Claims appearing on the Street Department Appropriation Account dated November 3, 1919, amounting to	3344.60
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 2nd half of October, 1919, amounting to	265.63
Claims appearing on the Sewer Department Appropriation Account dated November 3, 1919, amounting to	250.79
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 2nd half of October, 1919, amounting to	1606.04
Claims appearing on the Police Department Appropriation Account dated November 3, 1919, amounting to	287.43

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 2nd half of October, 1919, amounting to	1815.54
Claims appearing on the Fire Department Appropriation Account dated November 3, 1919, amounting to	569.20
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 2nd half of October, 1919, amounting to	135.41
Claims appearing on the Poor Department Appropriation Account dated November 3, 1919 amounting to	970.42
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 2nd half of October 1919, amounting to	220.42
Claims appearing on the tax Department Appropriation Account dated November 3, 1919, amounting to	15.12
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 2nd half of October 1919, amounting to	120.83
Claims appearing on the District Court Appropriation Account dated November 3, 1919, amounting to	70.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 2nd half of October, 1919, amounting to	62.50
Claims appearing on the City Court Appropriation Account dated November 3, 1919, amounting to	3.30
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Permanent Pavement 1919 Account, for the 2nd half of October 1919, amounting to	97.25
Claims appearing on the Permanent Pavement 1919 Account dated November 3, 1919, amounting to	3096.02
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 2nd half of October, 1919, amounting to	72.50
Claims appearing on the Shade Tree Commission Appropriation Account dated November 3, 1919, amounting to	15.35
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Department for the 2nd half of October, 1919, amounting to	45.84
Claims appearing on the Building Department Appropriation Account dated November 3, 1919, amounting to	46.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the State Highway Department for the 2nd half of October, 1919, amounting to	52.00

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Claims appearing on the Street Lighting Appropriation Account, dated November 3, 1919, amounting to	1683.84
Claims appearing on the Watchung Avenue Widening Appropriation Account dated November 3, 1919, amounting to	61.50
Claims appearing on the Publishing and Advertising Appropriation Account dated November 3, 1919, amounting to	199.88
Total -	$ 18925.41

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, 1 present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerma Condict, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard, McDonou and Sminck and President Hylan.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J. Carroll

City Clerk.

Monday Evening, November 17, 1919.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck. Absent Councilmen Ackerman, Condict and Hight.

Minutes of regular meeting held Nov. 3d were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Petition Flora A Rogers install gas tank

Petition from Flora A. Rogers for permission to install a 285 gallon gasoline tank at #990 Central Avenue. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Communication N.Y. Tel. Co. to Chas. A. Reed

Communication of Nov. 13, 1919, from the New York Telephone Co. to Hon. Chas. A. Reed, Counsel to the Corporation, submitting exhibits in the matter of application by the said Company for authority to file rates effective upon return of the telephone system to the petitioners by the U.S. Government, and advising that the next hearing will be held in Newark, N. J., Nov. 20, 1919, was read and ordered filed.

Petition East End Civic Assn. storm sewer connection

Petition from the East End Civic Association for storm sewer connection on North Avenue from Leland Avenue to Cedar Brook; and to have the Midway graded from Netherwood Avenue to Terrill Road. Referred to the Committee on Streets and Sewers.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:

Communication from Special Message No. 24

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, being his Special Message No. 24, respecting property values in the recently proposed public square area, which was read and referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Resignation Geo. B. Wean

Resignation of Geo. B. Wean, as stenographer to the Council and its Committees, to take effect at the close of this year, was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Supplemental Debt Statement filed

Supplemental debt statement of the Treasurer, showing the percentage the net debt bears to the assessed valuation as of Nov. 17th, to be 5%, was read and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

File communication Corp. Counsel, re Kenny Co. Bond Suit

Reported back communication from the Corporation Counsel, dated Oct. 30th, in the matter of the Kenny Co. Bon suit, and moved same be filed. So ordered.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY COUNCILMAN McDONOUGH:

File communication N.Y. Telephone Co for erection two poles.

Presented for filing communication of Nov. 3d from the New York Telephone Company for permission to erect two poles as per plan accompanying the communication; and offered the following resolution authorizing the erection of said poles;

Resolution granting permission to N.Y. Telephone Co to erect two poles.

RESOLVED that permission is hereby granted to the New York Telephone Company to erect two poles, one on the south side of West Front Street opposite Sycamore Avenue and one on the east side of Sycamore Avenue north of West Front Street, as shown on the plan attached, it being understood that permission will be granted by the owners of the adjoining properties.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck, and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY COUNCILMAN GRAVES:

Report back petition A. G. Belknap install tank - Granted

Reported back petition of A. G. Belknap for permission to install a Gasoline tank on Watchung Avenue, and moved same be granted. So ordered.

Offered the following resolution to advertise for bid for 2000 feet of fire hose:

Resolution - City Clerk to adv. for Bids for 2000 ft. fire hose.

RESOLVED, That the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to advertise in form approved by the Corporation Counsel for bids for 2000 feet of Fire Hose, and that said bids be received at the next meeting of the Common Council to be held December 1, 1919.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY COUNCILMAN LOVELL:

Mayor's special Message No. 24

Resolution requesting information respecting property values in business section

Reported back for filing the Mayor's special message No. 24, and offered the following resolution for information from the Plainfield Protective Association respecting property values in the recently proposed Public Square area:

WHEREAS it is important that all property should be listed for the purposes of taxation upon the same basis as to its true market value, but in order to sustain tax assessments it is necessary that proof of that value be procurable:

AND WHEREAS the Plainfield Protective Association recently published an address to the voters of the City of Plainfield which included the following statements:

"It is the desire to present to you on this page a complete statement of FACTS (not estimates) concerning the BENEFITS - COSTS - OBJECTIONS, in connection with the proposed public square,"

And also the following:

COST

"The statement that this is a Million Dollar project has been rejected by the city officials and the impression has been given that a Million Dollars is only an inflated figure used as campaign material for the defeat of the Square.

We will not ask you to peruse any manipulated er estimated figures, but we do ask you to give the following figures your careful attention. These figures are not estimated but are the actual market values of the following properties:

Plainfield Theatre	$150,000
I. H. Boehm, Front Street	150,000
Henry Rosenbaum	125,000
E. & W. Schloss	125,000
W. R. Codington properties	100,000
Est. Isaac Lederer	75,000
Making a total for these six properties of	725,000
Add to this the value of the remaining smaller properties, based on the value of the six above, which totals	160,875
Total property value	$ 885,875

AND WHEREAS the market values so stated are far in excess of those at which the said properties have heretofore been claimed by the owners of the respective properties in their dealings with the Tax Assessors and yet said Association must in good faith have secured evidence either from said owners or other persons that the actual market values of said properties is as set forth in said published statement:

AND WHEREAS the Common Council is anxious to procure such evidence to the end that the same may be used to sustain if justifiable the valuation of the properties on that basis for the purposes of taxation:

THEREFORE RESOLVED: That the Plainfield Protective Association is hereby respectfully requested to furnish at its early convenience to this Common Council the name and address of each person, whether directly interested in the property or not who made any statement regarding the value thereof or any part thereof, upon which said Association based its said published statement of values of the properties.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this resolution be promptly delivered by the City Clerk to the President or Chairman and to the Secretary of said Plainfield Protective Association.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilman Sminck called up on second reading an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance creating a general Board of Commissioners of Assessments", which was given its second reading and is as follows:

2nd reading
Ordinance creating General Board of Commissioners of Assessments.

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A GENERAL BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF ASSESSMENTS.

Whereas no board is now provided by law or by ordinance for the making of all assessments for benefits from local improvements in the City of Plainfield and in the judgment of the Common Council of said City such a board should now be created for that purpose in said City under the statutes in such case made and provided.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:-

Section 1. That a board to be known as Commissioners of Assessments, be and is hereby created in and for the City of Plainfield, and charged with the duty of making all assessments for benefits accruing from local improvements therein after this ordinance becomes effective, as well as the performance of such other duties as may by law be cast upon such body. Said board shall consistof three persons each of whom shall be a resident and legal voter of said City, and who shall be entitled to receive from said City such compensation as the Common Council thereof may from time to time by resolution provide in view of the value of the service rendered.

Section 2. The term of office of the members of such board shall be three years. The first term shall begin as of January 1st, 1920 at twelve o'clock noon. Vacancies in said board shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as vacancies for the full term.

Section 3. As of January 1st, 1920 and whenever vacancies occur thereafter the Mayor shall nominate and by and with the advice and consent of the Common Council shall appoint persons to serve as members of said board.

Section 4. That the members of such board shall qualify by taking oath to faithfully perform the duties of the office and shall annually or oftener choose one of their number as chairman and another as secretary. The board may adopt rules of proceedure, and establish stated meetings, but shall meet if and whenever occasion may require. A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum to transact business but a single member thereof shall have power to adjourn any meeting when no other member is present.

Section 5. In case any member of the board is interested in any assessment, award or matter which such board is required to consider such board shall at once report that fact to the Common Council, whereupon such member shall ipso facto be relieved from all duty and power concerning such matter and his place shall be filled by nomination and appointment of another person to serve as a special member of said board in his place and stead in the matter in which he is so interested. Such special member shall be nominated and appointed in the same manner as were the original members of the board, but such special members shall serve only in the matter in which the regular member is interested, and shall cease to be a member of said board when that matter is concluded.

Section 6. Such board shall proceed to make all assessments for benefits accruing from local improvements in the City of Plainfield, and all awards for lands taken and for damages in such matters and to perform all of its duties as speedily as may be and in the manner provided by law.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect on the thirty-first day of December A. D. 1919 and all ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Adopt Ordinance on second reading.

Councilman Sminck moved adoption of the said ordinanc on second reading and final passage. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilm Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Second reading
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Councilman Sminck called upon on second reading an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to prescrive the duties of the Counsel to the Corporation (Revision of 1919)", which was given its second reading and is as follows:-

An Ordinance to prescribe the duties of the Counsel to the Corporation (Revision of 1919)

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council do enact as follows:

Section I. The Counsel to the Corporation shall perform the duties imposed by statute upon the legal adviser of cities of the second class by whatever title or description such officers may be designated and he shall be the legal adviser of the Common Council and of the Mayor and of the head of each City Department in all official matters. He shall prosecute and defend all legal or equitable actions or proceedings in any court of the State of New Jersey in which the City or any officer thereof as such is interested when so ordered by the Common Council and shall appear therein as attorney and Counsel for the City. He shall from time to time when required advise the Common Council and their committees and officers respectively upon all city matters which may be submitted to him for his opinion, and draw all such ordinances, resolutions, legislative bills, and other official documents as may be required of him by the Common Council, or any committee thereof or by the Mayor.

Section II. He shall institute an action or proceeding in the name of the City or otherwise whenever instructed so to do by the Common Council or by any authorized committee thereof or by the Mayor, and upon complaint of any responsible person when in his judgment the public interest requires that the same be prosecuted he may institute action or proceedings for violation of any City ordinance.

Section III. By consent of the Mayor or of the Chairman of the committee on Laws and Ordinances he may compromise at any time any action, for violation of any city ordinance and by consent of the Common Council he may compromise any other action, suit, proceeding or controversy to which the city or any officer as such is a party. He shall not appeal any action or proceeding in which judgment has been rendered against the city except by direction of the Common Council.

Section IV. He shall keep records of all actions, suits, and proceedings which he prosecutes or defends as counsel to the corporation and itemized accounts of all money received or disbursed by him as such official and shall promptly pay over to the City Treasurer any and all

money coming into his hands for the use of the City. He shall also report in detail to the Common Council whenever so directed by it all such receipts and disbursements together with the titles and particulars of each and every action, suit, or proceeding then pending and undetermined in which the City is interested, and shall act in regard thereto in such manner as the Common Council may direct.

Section V. The salary to be paid to the Counsel to the Corporation shall be in full compensation as between him and the City for all services he may be required to render under this ordinance: but he shall nevertheless be entitled to receive and retain all taxable costs in any action, suit or proceeding which may be conducted or defended by him as such counsel and also shall be reimbursed by the City for all disbursements made and expenses incurred in the performance of his duty, including the expense of such clerical or other assistance as he may from time to time be authorized by resolution of the Common Council to employ.

Section VI. Upon the expiration of his term of office, which is fixed by statute, or his resignation or removal therefrom he shall forthwith on demand deliver to his successor in office all deeds, leases, contracts and other documents then in his hands as counsel to the corporation and all papers in actions in which the city is interested then pending and undetermined, together with a written consent of substitution of his successor as attorney and counsel for the city in such actions then pending, and he shall likewise forthwith account for and pay over to the City Treasurer all money, if any, then in his hands belonging to the City.

Section VII. The ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to prescribe the duties of the Counsel to the Corporation" approved July 26, 1869 is hereby repealed.

Section VIII. This ordinance shall take effect December 31st, 1919.

Adopt ordinance on second reading

Councilman Sminck moved adoption of the said ordinance on second reading and final passage. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

NEW BUSINESS:

Introduce ordinance for issuance of $216,000 Negotiable Sewer Bonds to pay

Councilman Sminck introduced an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the issuance of Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand Dollars ($216,000) Negotiable Sewer Bonds of the City to pay the City share of the cost of certain sanitary and surface drainage sewers,

City share of cost of certain sanitary + surface drainage sewers

which was read and is as follows:

An Ordinance for the issuance of Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand Dollars ($216,000.00) Negotiable Sewer Bonds of the City of Plainfield to pay the City share of the cost of certain sanitary and surface drainage sewers.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of certain ordinances duly adopted by the Common Council, approved by the Mayor, and published, certain sanitary and surface drainage sewer improvements were directed to be made as fully set forth in said ordinances, to-wit:

(a) An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for renewing and replacing the storm sewer in a portion of West Front Street", adopted April 15, 1918, and approved by the Mayor April 18, 1918.

(b) An Ordinance for additions to the sewer system in portions of West Third Street, Clinton Avenue and Myrtle Avenue, entitled: "An Ordinance to provide for the construction of a further addition to the system of sewerage already constructed in the City of Plainfield", adopted May 4, 1914, and approved by the Mayor on the same day.

(c) An Ordinance for additions to the sewer system in Jefferson Avenue and other streets and avenues entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the construction of a further addition to the System of Sewerage already constructed in the City of Plainfield, No. 16" adopted December 6, 1915 and approved by the Mayor December 6, 1915.

(d) An Ordinance for additions to the sewer system in Ravine Road and other streets and avenues entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the construction of a further addition to the system of sewerage already constructed in the City of Plainfield, No. 17" adopted April 3, 1916, and approved by the Mayor April 7, 1916.

(e) An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to provide separate sewers or drains to carry off the surface water in Grove Street and in portions of East Fifth Street, West Fifth Street, West Sixth Street, East Seventh Street, West Seventh Street, West Eighth Street, Watchung Avenue, Park Avenue, New Street, Grant Avenue and West Front Street", adopted September 5, 1916, and approved by the Mayor September 6, 1916.

(f) An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to provide separate sewers or drains to carry off the surface water in portions of East Fourth Street, Washington Street, East Front Street and Watchung Avenue" adopted October

2, 1916, and approved by the Mayor October 4, 1916.

(g) An Ordinance for additions to the sewer system in portions of Front Street, North, Madison Aven and West Second Street, entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the construction of a further addition to the system of sewerage already constructed in the City of Plainfield, No. 18" adopted March 19, 1917, and approve by the Mayor March 21, 1917.

WHEREAS, all the work directed to be done by all of said ordinances has been completed, and assessments for benefits in each of said matters have been duly mad and confirmed;

WHEREAS, the total cost of said improvements is Three hundred seven thousand, eight hundred sixty-two dollars and sixty-four cents ($307,862.64) which amount heretofore has been duly appropriated, and the portion of the cost of said improvements to be borne by the cit at large as appears from the assessment roll confirmed as aforesaid, is two hundred sixteen thousand, three hundred fifty-seven dollars and thirty-nine cents ($216,357.39) which said last mentioned sum is made up as follows, (the items covering respectively the improvements under the ordinances mentioned in the foregoing paragraphs designated a,b,c,d,e,f and g)

Ordinance (a)	$ 6,193.42
Ordinance (b)	$ 31,553.52
Ordinance (c)	$ 74,283.61
Ordinance (d)	$ 7,456.32
Ordinance (e)	$ 59,643.53
Ordinance (f)	$ 29,543.08
Ordinance (g)	$ 7,683.91
Total	$ 216,357.39

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to issue two hundred sixteen thousand dollars ($216,000.00) permanent negoti able bonds of the City to pay the City share of said improvement and retire any outstanding evidences of indeb edness issued temporarily to finance said improvements, Now, Therefore,

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield by thei Common Council do enact as follows:

Section 1. That for the purpose of raising the necessary funds to pay the City share of the cost of th various sewer improvements, made and completed, pursuan to the provisions of the seven ordinances described in the foregoing preamble, and of liquidating any outstanding evidences of indebtedness issued temporarily to finance said sewer improvements, there be issued two hundred sixteen (216) negotiable coupon Sewer Bonds

of The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield in the aggregate sum of two hundred sixteen thousand dollars ($216,000.00). Said bonds to be of the denomination of $1,000 each, all dated the first day of December, 1919, to bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of June and December in each year, which said bonds shall mature as follows: Six Thousand dollars ($6,000.00) payable annually on the first day of December of each of the years 1920 to 1955 both inclusive. That said bonds shall be signed by the Mayor and sealed with the corporate seal of the City and shall be attested by the City Clerk, and the coupons shall be signed with the fac-simile signature of the City Treasurer. Said bonds when ordered by resolution of the Common Council shall be sold for an amount not less than the par value thereof, and there shall be raised by tax each year hereafter while any of said bonds are outstanding and unpaid such sum of money as may be necessary to pay the interest on all the outstanding bonds and the principal of said bonds as the same shall respectively become due and payable. The amount of money necessary to be raised for the purpose aforesaid is two hundred sixteen thousand dollars ($216,000.00).

Section 2. It is hereby determined and declared:

(a) The probable period of usefulness of the sewer improvements made and completed pursuant to the provisions of the seven ordinances described in the foregoing preamble in paragraphs designated respectively as a,b,c,d,e,f,and g, is as follows:

Sewer improvements made under

Ordinance	(a)	36	Years
"	(b)	36	"
"	(c)	36	"
"	(d)	36	"
"	(e)	36	"
"	(f)	36	"
"	(g)	36	"

(b) The average assessed valuation of the taxable real property (including improvements) of the City of Plainfield computed upon the next preceding three valuations thereof in the manner provided in Section 12 of Chapter 252 P.L. 1916, as amended by Chapter 240 P.L. 1917, is twenty-eight million, eighty-two thousand, one hundred fifty-nine Dollars ($28,082,159).

(c) The net debt of said City of Plainfield computed in the manner provided in said Section 12 of said Act as amended is one million three hundred eighty-four thousand dollars ($1,384,000).

(d) The annual statement and the supplemental statement required by Section 12 of said Act as amended have been made by the Treasurer of the City of Plainfield, the chief financial officer of said City, and filed in the office of the City Clerk, as required by said Act as amended.

Councilman Sminck moved that the ordinance be engrossed or typewritten and duly advertised. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Erection of building over Cedar Brook. property owner liable for any injury or damage

Councilman Sminck called attention to the fact that th Board of Chosen Freeholders had, at the solicitation of the Council, built a bridge at Leland Avenue and at Netherwood Avenue, over Cedar Brook, and that a property owner was erecting a building over the brook and that the opening unde the building would not accommodate as much water as the said bridges, and that the Corporation Counsel had, at Mr. Sminck suggestion, taken the matter up with the Inspector of Buildings. The Corporation Counsel reported that he had prepare a notice which was served upon the said property owner, and reported further that the Building Inspector gives a permit to erect a building on a lot, but does not locate the building on the lot; further, if there is an obstruction to the stream, the property owner is liable to anybody who is injured.

Erection of tablet bearing names of those who entered service laid on table

Councilman Sminck called attention to the resolution heretofore presented respecting the erection of a tablet bearing the names of those who entered the service from this City, and after consideration the same was left on the table

Park Avenue widening

Councilman Force inquired if something could not be done that would expedite matters in the matter of the proposed widening of Park Avenue, in the way of preliminary wor that the work may be proceeded with rapidly after the organization of the 1920 Council. Acting Chairman McDonough reported that the Committee had not taken this matter up as yet.

City Park — Mrs. Mali's property for sale to City reported to Research and Advisory Committee

Councilman Force stated that he considered the time opportune for action relative to a City Park; and that he ha heard reports that Mrs. Mali has been approached with regard to sale of her property to a realty company to be turned int residential property; and that she had said it was not for sale for that purpose, but that the City of Plainfield could buy it for less than half its valuation, and would like to h a committee appointed to wait upon Mrs. Mali and find out if that report is true, and if so, what valuation she would put upon it for the City if we cared to acquire it.

His Honor, the Mayor, reported that the matter of Public Parks was being investigated by the Research and Ad-

visory Commission, whereupon Mr. Graves moved that the information given by Mr. Force be forwarded by the Clerk to the Chairman of the Research and Advisory Commission. So ordered.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Reported all claims presented as correct, and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

Pay Claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:-

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of Officials and General Office Employees for the 1st half of November 1919, amounting to	540.83
Claims appearing on the Miscellaneous Appropriation Account dated November 17, 1919, amounting to	20.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 1st half of November 1919, amounting to	1809.94
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 1st half of November 1919, amounting to	261.31
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Extension 1919 Account for the 1st half of November 1919, amounting to	137.15
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 1st half of November 1919, amounting to	1383.95
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 1st half of November 1919, amounting to	1705.46
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 1st half of November 1919, amounting to	135.42
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 1st half of November 1919, amounting to	220.42
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Department for the 1st half of November 1919, amounting to	45.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 1st half of November 1919, amounting to	120.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 1st half of November 1919, amounting to	62.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 1st half of November 1919, amounting to	137.50

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Claims appearing on the Principal on Fire Apparatus Bonds Appropriation Account dated November 17, 1919, amounting to	1000.00
Claims appearing on the Interest on Fire Apparatus Bonds Appropriation Account dated November 17, 1919, amounting to	175.00
Claims appearing on the Interest on School Bonds Appropriation Account dated November 17, 1919, amounting to	2375.00
	$ 10131.15

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the rol all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Force, Graves, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck an President Hylan.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J. Carroll

City Clerk.

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Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck. Absent Councilman Condict.

Minutes of regular meeting held Nov. 17th were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Communication Hartridge School steam roller.

Communication from the Hartridge School, respecting use of the steam roller to roll in stone for entrance to their school. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition Newark Paving Company extension of time

Petition from the Newark Paving Company for extension of time in which to complete contract dated May 29, 1919, to Jan. 1, 1920. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition Geo. Carson - install light

Petition from Geo. V. Carson for installation of a street light at the corner of Osborne and Lorraine Avenues. Referred to the Street Lighting Committee.

Communication J. T. Powers - concrete sidewalk Emerson Ave.

Communication of Nov. 19th from J. T. Powers calling attention to strip of sidewalk on Emerson Avenue between Second and Front Streets, where there is no concrete walk; concrete walks having been laid on both sides of this street last summer with the exception of this small portion, and recommending that the owner of this property be requested to lay a concrete walk. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Affidavit St. Comr. - mailing notice

Affidavit of the Street Commissioner that he mailed on Nov. 18, 1919, a copy of Corporation Notice, Improvement Ordinance No. 201, for the widening of Watchung Avenue, to all property owners as listed in said affidavit, was presented and ordered filed.

Petition Wm. B. Lundie for installation of Hydrants & light Jefferson Ave.

Petition from Wm. B. Lundie, for Petitioners, respecting installation of Hydrants on Jefferson Avenue; also for installation of a street light on Jefferson Avenue at or on the bridge over Green Brook. Referred to Fire & Buildings with request that the Street Lighting Committee work with the Fire & Buildings Committee on this petition.

Communication Plainfield Mothers Assn. for athletic field

Communication from the Plainfield Mothers Association that the City provide an athletic field for the use of the children. Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Communication from Plainfield Protective

Communication was received from the Plainfield Protective Assn. submitting copy of resolution adopted by the said Association. Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Petition from the New Jersey Trackless Trolley Company for

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Petition N.J. Trackless Trolley Co. for franchise

franchise for a trackless trolley for transportation of passengers to South Plainfield, and elsewhere, and submitting draft of franchise. Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:

Reports filed Treasurer, Collector, Insp. Bldg., City Clerk.

Report of the Treasurer, of the Collector, of the Inspector of Buildings, and of the City Clerk, for the month of November, were each presented, read and ordered filed.

Report Sinking Fund Commission

Report of the Sinking Fund Commission, supplementing their report of 1920 Sinking Fund Requirements with a list of bonds falling due for which provision must be made in 1920. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Supplemental Debt Statement

Supplemental Debt Statement of the Treasurer, showing the net debt as of Nov. 29th to be 5% of the average valuation, was read and ordered filed.

Report Eng. in Charge of Sewers

Report of the Engineer in Charge of sewers of sewer permits granted during the month of November, (14) was read and ordered filed.

Special Message No. 25 from Mayor

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, being Special Message No. 25, respecting a War Memorial, was read and referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Suspend Rules to hear protest from Mr & Mrs. Christiansen against sewer assessment

Councilman Graves moved regular order of business be suspended to hear protest from Mr. and Mrs. Christiansen against sewer assessment. So ordered.

Mr. Christiansen appeared and protested against payment of the assessment, for a sewer connection which he could not make without going thru another property which he did not own.

The President called Mr. Christiansen's attention to the fact that he should have entered his protest at the proper time, but if the Council can adjust the matter they will be glad to do so.

Councilman Graves moved Council return to regular order of business. So ordered.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

Resolution file annual reports of city depts. first meeting in Feb.

Offered the following resolution that the annual report of the different departments be filed with the Council at the first meeting in February 1920. So ordered.

RESOLVED, That the head of each department of the City Government be, and he hereby is, directed to file the Annual Report of his department with the Common Council at its meeting to be held the first Monday in February 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

File resignation Geo. B. Wean & spread same on minutes

Referred back resignation of Geo. B. Wean, and moved same be spread in full upon the minutes of the Council and filed. So ordered.

Plainfield, N. J., November 17, 1919.

TO THE HONORABLE THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD:

GENTLEMEN:

It is with sincere regret that, after serving the City of Plainfield continuously for the past twenty-six years, I find it will be impossible for me to continue my services after the close of this year.

I take this occasion to say that my many duties as an employee of the city clerk's office, covering as it has more than a quarter of a century, has brought me in close contact with all of the City's distinguished officials during that time, and the pleasant memories of my associations with them will ever be cherished.

I wish to express at this time my thanks to the Mayors, Common Councils, and all City officials for the many courtesies extended to me by them, and to congratulate the voters of the City of Plainfield upon their wisdom in electing to the different offices men of their caliber.

Very truly yours,
GEO. B. WEAN

Resolution expressing appreciation of services rendered by Geo. B. Wean.

Offered the following resolution expressing the Council's appreciation of the services rendered by Mr. Wean:

RESOLVED:- The Common Council of the City of Plainfield hereby expresses its high appreciation of the valuable services rendered by Mr. George B. Wean as a steady and loyal attache of the City covering a continuous employment of twenty-six years of alert attention and faithful duty, and be it further

RESOLVED:- That a copy of this resolution be engrossed and presented to Mr. Wean as an expression of hearty good-will and personal esteem together with a sincere desire that the future will give him long life, an abundance of good health and deserved prosperity.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

File petition Edwin M. Daniel 2d respecting assessment of taxes

Reported back petition from Edwin M. Daniel, 2nd, respecting alleged double assessment of taxes on property on Jackson and Netherwood Avenues, with report that the matter had been taken up with the Collector and the Corporation Counsel, and that as it is a matter to be adjusted between the owners of the property, and as the petitioner had been so advised, moved that the petition be filed. So ordered.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY COUNCILMAN McDONOUGH:

File petition from Hartridge School respecting steam roller.

Reported back for filing communication from the Hartridge School with report that the Street Commissioner will furnish the roller as requested.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HIGHT:

Submitted report that the Committee had placed on probationary service, Edward Joseph Cass on Nov. 20th, and Cormick Caulfield on Nov. 28th, and offered the following resolution confirming such action:

Resolution confirm action of Fire & Bldg. Committee in placing Cass and Caulfield on probationary duty.

RESOLVED, That the action of the Committee on Fire & Buildings in placing Mr. Edward Joseph Cass on Probationary Duty in the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield on November 20, 1919 and Mr. Cormick Caulfield on Probationary Duty in the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield on November 28, 1919 be, and the same hereby is, approved and ratified.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

File petition of Flora A. Rogers.

Reported back petition of Flora A. Rogers for permit to install a gasoline tank, and moved same be granted. So ordered.

File communication S. H. Schwartz removal of hydrant

Reported back communication of Sept. 13th from S. H. Schwartz respecting removal of a hydrant in front of property #624 West Front Street, with report that the hydrant had been moved by the Water Company under the supervision of the fire chief, and moved the communication be filed. So ordered.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

File communication with respect to neutral zone in business section.

Reported that at the meeting held Nov. 3d the question of establishing a neutral zone in the business section of the city was referred to this Committee for investigation, but as the Public Service Ry. will soon return to the seven-cent fare there will be no need for a neutral zone, and presented for filing communication in regard to the matter.

File communication Plainfield Protective Assn.

Reported back for filing communication of Nov. 24th from the Plainfield Protective Association, and offered the following resolution respecting information from the Plainfield Protective Association respecting taxable valuations:

Resolution - only from Plfld Protective Assn regarding information requested by Common Council not responsive

WHEREAS, This Common Council at its last meeting requested the Plainfield Protective Association to furnish the evidence upon which it based its public assertion that as a matter of fact and not of estimate the actual market value of certain properties aggregated $885,875 (although they were assessed at only about 35% of that amount); and

WHEREAS said Association instead of furnishing the information so that the Common Council might use it, if reliable, for the purpose of equalizing tax assessments, now merely informs the Council that it is ready to discuss the question, and taxation in general, NOW THEREFORE,

RESOLVED: That it be respectfully pointed out to said Association that its reply is not responsive because there can be nothing to discuss regarding a request for information. The only question involved is whether the information shall be furnished; and that is not a matter for discussion, but for the Protective Association to decide for itself. This Common Council, however, upon being furnished with the information which it has requested, will be glad to grant a hearing to said Association if it is now in doubt as to the actual market values of said properties and wishes to discuss said values, or the question of taxation in general; and further

RESOLVED: That a certified copy of this resolution be served by the City Clerk upon the President and the Secretary respectively of said Plainfield Protective Association..

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Acke- man, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard ar Sminck and President Hylan.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

File petition from James E. Martine et als for additional lights on Cedar Brook Road.

Reported back for filing petition from James E. Martne and others for additional lights on Cedar Brook Road, and move that two additional lights be granted. So ordered upon a cal of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Coucil men Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Change lights on North Avenue

The Chairman called attention to the insufficient lit- ing on North Avenue opposite the Station, and moved that one o the 32 C. P. lights be removed and two 400-Watt lamps be instale So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the a- firmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hyla.

Reported bill correct. Referred to the Auditing Co- mittee.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing C- mittee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

No report.

LAWS AND ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

Forward Communication from Cliffside Citizens Club to Mayor of North Plainfield

Reported back communication of Oct. 10th from the Cliffside Citizens' Club, respecting Zoning powers of municipa- ities, with report that as it appeared that the communication was intended for North Plainfield, moved that the clerk forwar it to the Mayor and Council of North Plainfield, So ordered.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilman Sminck called up on second reading an or- dinance entitled "An Ordinance for the issuance of Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand Dollars ($216,000) Negotiable Sewer Bonds of the City of Plainfield, N. J. to pay the City share of the cos

of certain sanitary and surface drainage sewers", which was read, and is as follows:

1st Reading Ordinance for issuance of Sewer Bonds ($216,000.00)

An Ordinance for the issuance of Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand Dollars ($216,000.00) Negotiable Sewer Bonds of the City of Plainfield, N. J., to pay the City share of the cost of certain sanitary and surface drainage sewers.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of certain ordinances duly adopted by the Common Council, approved by the Mayor, and published, certain sanitary and surface drainage sewer improvements were directed to be made as fully set forth in said ordinances, to-wit:

(a) An ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for renewing and replacing the storm sewer in a portion of West Front Street", adopted April 15, 1918, and approved by the Mayor April 18, 1918.

(b) An Ordinance for additions to the sewer system in portions of West Third Street, Clinton Avenue and Myrtle Avenue, entitled: "An Ordinance to provide for the construction of a further addition to the system of sewerage already constructed in the City of Plainfield", adopted May 4, 1914, and approved by the Mayor on the same day.

(c) An Ordinance for additions to the sewer system in Jefferson Avenue and other streets and avenues entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the construction of a further addition to the System of Sewerage already constructed in the City of Plainfield, No. 16" adopted December 6, 1915 and approved by the Mayor December 6, 1915.

(d) An Ordinance for additions to the sewer system in Ravine Road and other streets and avenues entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the construction of a further addition to the system of sewerage already constructed in the City of Plainfield, No. 17" adopted April 3, 1916, and approved by the Mayor April 7, 1916.

(e) An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to provide separate sewers or drains to carry off the surface water in Grove Street and in portions of East Fifth Street, West Fifth Street, West Sixth Street, East Seventh Street, West Seventh Street, West Eighth Street, Watchung Avenue, Park Avenue, New Street, Grant Avenue and West Front Street", adopted September 5, 1916, and approved by the Mayor September 6, 1916.

(f) An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to provide separate sewers or drains to carry off the surface water in portions of East Fourth Street, Washington Street, East Front Street and Watchung Avenue" adopted October 2, 1916, and approved by the Mayor October 4, 1916.

(g) An Ordinance for additions to the sewer system in portions of Front Street, North, Madison Avenue and

West Second Street, entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the construction of a further addition to the system of sewerage already constructed in the City of Plainfield, No. 18" adopted March 19, 1917, and approved by the Mayor March 21, 1917.

WHEREAS, all the work directed to be done by all of said ordinances has been completed, and assessments for benefits in each of said matters have been duly made and confirmed;

WHEREAS, the total cost of said improvements is Three Hundred seven thousand, eight hundred sixty-two dollars and sixty-four cents ($307,862.64) which amount heretofore has been duly appropriated, and the portion of the cost of said improvements to be borne by the city at large as appears from the assessment roll confirmed as aforesaid, is two hundred sixteen thousand, three hundred fifty-seven dollars and thirty-nine cents ($216,357.39) which last mentioned sum is made up as follows, (the items covering respectively the improvements under the ordinances mentioned in the foregoing paragraphs designated a, b, c, d, e, f and g)

Ordinance (a)	$ 6,193.42
Ordinance (b)	$ 31,553.52
Ordinance (c)	$ 74,283.61
Ordinance (d)	$ 7,456.32
Ordinance (e)	$ 59,643.53
Ordinance (f)	$ 29,543.08
Ordinance (g)	$ 7,683.91
Total	$ 216,357.39

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to issue two hundred sixteen thousand dollars ($216,000.00) permanent negotiable bonds of the City to pay the City share of said improvement and retire any outstanding evidences of indebtedness issued temporarily to finance said improvements, Now, Therefore,

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield by their Common Council do enact as follows:

Section 1. That for the purpose of raising the necessary funds to pay the City share of the cost of the various sewer improvements, made and completed, pursuant to the provisions of the seven ordinances described in the foregoing preamble, and of liquidating any outstanding evidences of indebtedness issued temporarily to finance said sewer improvements, there be issued two hundred sixteen (216) negotiable coupon Sewer Bonds of The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield in the aggregate sum of two hundred sixteen thousand dollars ($216,000.00). Said bonds to be of the denomination of $1,000 each, all dated the first day of December, 1919, to bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of June and December in each year, which said bonds shall mature as follows: Six thousand dollars

($6,000.00) payable annually nn the first day of December of each of the years 1920 to 1955 both inclusive. That said bonds shall be signed by the Mayor and sealed with the corporate seal of the City and shall be attested by the City Clerk, and the coupons shall be signed with the fac-simile signature of the City Treasurer. Said bonds when ordered by resolution of the Common Council shall be sold for an amount not less than the par value thereof, and there shall be raised by tax each year hereafter while any of said bonds are outstanding and unpaid such sum of money as may be necessary to pay the interest on all the outstanding bonds and the principal of said bonds as the same shall respectively become due and payable. The amount of money necessary to be raised for the purpose aforesaid is two hundred sixteen thousand dollars($216,000.00).

Section 2. It is hereby determined and declared:

(a) The probable period of usefulness of the sewer improvements made and completed pursuant to the provisions of the seven ordinances described in the foregoing preamble in paragraphs designated respectively as a,b,c,d,e,f and g, is as follows:

Sewer improvements made under

Ordinance	(a)	36	Years
"	(b)	36	"
"	(c)	36	"
"	(d)	36	"
"	(e)	36	"
"	(f)	36	"
"	(g)	36	"

(b) The average assessed valuation of the taxable real property (including improvements) of the City of Plainfield computed upon the next preceding three valuations thereof in the manner provided in Section 12 of Chapter 252 P.L. 1916, as amended by Chapter 240 P.L. 1917, is twenty-eight million, eighty-two thousand, one hundred fifty-nine Dollars ($28,082,159).

(c) The net debt of said City of Plainfield computed in the manner provided in said Section 12 of said Act as amended is one million three hundred eighty-four thousand dollars (1,384,000).

(d) The annual statement and the supplemental statement required by Section 12 of said Act as amended have been made by the Treasurer of the City of Plainfield, the chief financial officer of said City, and filed in the office of the City Clerk, as required by said Act as amended.

Adopt Ordinance

Councilman Sminck moved adoption of said ordinance on second reading and final passage. So ordered upon a call

of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Sminck introduced an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance for the issuance of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000) Negotiable City Hall Bonds of the City of Plainfield, New Jersey," which was read and is as follows:

Introduce Ordinance for issuance of City Hall Bonds. ($200,000)

An Ordinance for the issuance of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000) Negotiable City Hall Bonds of the City of Plainfield, New Jersey.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to proceedings of the Common Council heretofore duly taken and adopted, a site for a new City Hall was purchased and such City Hall constructed, and said improvement has been completed and the amount necessary to pay therefor has heretofore been duly appropriated and said improvement has been financed temporarily; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of said site and the construction of said City Hall building is the sum of $206,104.42, and it is now desirable to issue Permanent Bonds of the City in the sum of $200,000 to pay to that extent the cost of said site and the construction of said City Hall building, and to retire to that extent outstanding evidences of indebtedness issued for the purpose temporarily of financing said improvements;

NOW, THEREFORE, The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield by their Common Council do enact as follows:-

Section 1. That for the purpose of raising funds to pay $200,000 of the cost of said site and the construction of said City Hall building and liquidating to the extent of $200,000 outstanding evidences of indebtedness issued temporarily to finance said improvement, there be issued two hundred Negotiable Coupon City Hall Bonds of The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield in the aggregate sum of $200,000. Said bonds to be of the denomination of $1,000 each, all dated the first day of December, 1919, to bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of June and December in each year, which said bonds shall be numbered from 1 to 200 both inclusive, and mature in numerical order five bonds on the first day of December in each of the years 1921 to 1948 both inclusive, and six bonds on the first day of December in each of the years 1949 to 1958 both inclusive. That the amount of money necessary to be raised therefor is the sum of $200,000.

That said bonds shall be signed by the Mayor and sealed with the corporate seal of the City and shall be attested by the City Clerk, and the coupons

shall be signed with the fac-simile signature of the City Treasurer. Said bonds when ordered by resolution of the Common Council shall be sold for an amount not less than the par value thereof, and there shall be raised by tax each year hereafter while any of said bonds are outstanding and unpaid such sum of money as may be necessary to pay the interest on all the outstanding bonds and the principal of said bonds as the same shall respectively become due and payable.

Section 2. It is hereby determined and declared:

(a) The probable period of usefulness of the said improvement is forty years from the first day of January, 1919.

(b) The average assessed valuation of the taxable real property (including improvements) of the City of Plainfield computed upon the next preceding three valuations thereof in the manner provided in Section 12 of Chapter 252 P.L. 1916, as amended by Chapter 240 P.L. 1917, is $28,082,159.00

(c) The Net debt of said City of Plainfield computed in the manner provided in said Section 12 of said Act as amended is $1,384,000.00.

(d) The annual statement and the supplemental statement required by Section 12 of said Act as amended have been made by the Treasurer of the City of Plainfield, the chief financial officer of said City, and filed in the office of the City Clerk, as required by said Act as amended.

Adv. Ordinance

Councilman Sminck moved that the City Clerk advertise said ordinance according to law. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Refer resolution presented by Councilman Sminck re- ting tablet to lic Affairs Com- ttee.

Councilman Hight moved that the resolution presented by Councilman Sminck at the Oct. 20th meeting respecting the erection of a tablet in appreciation of the services of our soldiers, and ordered laid on the table, be taken from the table. So ordered.

The Clerk read the said resolution. After consideration, the same was referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

uncilman e reported s Mali's perty not sale to city e as Park

Councilman Force reported that at the last meeting of the Council he had reported a rumor that Mrs. Mali would sell her property on East Front Street to the City at a reasonable figure for a City Park, but that since that time he had learned that the property is not for sale to the City or any other party.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Reported all claims presented as correct, and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

Resolution Pay Claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of Officials and General Office Employees for the 2nd half of November 1919, amounting to	$540.83
Claims appearing on the Miscellaneous Approrpiation Account dated December 1, 1919, amounting to (including 103,135.00 for School Purposes)	105872.67
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 2nd half of November 1919, amounting to	220.42
Claims appearing on the Tax Department Appropriation Account dated December 1, 1919, amounting to	19.95
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 2nd half of November 1919, amounting to	62.50
Claims appearing on the City Court Appropriation Account dated December 1, 1919, amounting to	3.30
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 2d half of November 1919, amounting to	120.83
Claims appearing on the District Court Appropriation Account dated December 1, 1919, amounting to	21.63
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Department for the 2nd half of November 1919, amounting to	45.84
Claims appearing on the Building Department Appropriation Account dated December 1, 1919, amounting to	28.75
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 2nd half of November 1919, amounting to	1652.36
Claims appearing on the Street Department Appropriation Account dated December 1, 1919, amounting to	3667.25
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 2nd half of November 1919, amounting to	200.91
Claims appearing on the Sewer Department Appropriation Account dated December 1, 1919, amounting to	247.12
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Extension 1919 Account for the 2nd half of November 1919, amounting to	83.80

Claims appearing on the Sewer Extension 1919 Appropriation Account dated December 1, 1919, amounting to	2000.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Permanent Pavement 1919 Account for the 2nd half of November 1919, amounting to	45.25
Claims appearing on the Permanent Pavement 1919 Appropriation Account dated December 1, 1919 amounting to	400.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Department for the 2nd half of November 1919, amounting to	83.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 2nd half of November 1919, amounting to	1419.18
Claims appearing on the Police Department Appropriation Account dated December 1, 1919 amounting to	282.30
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 2nd half of November 1919, amounting to	1748.13
Claims appearing on the Fire Department Appropriation Account dated December 1, 1919 amounting to	440.39
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 2nd half of November 1919, amounting to	135.42
Claims appearing on the Poor Department Appropriation Account dated December 1, 1919 amounting to	859.32
Claims appearing on the Sinking Fund Appropriation Account dated December 1, 1919, amounting to	32275.00
Claims appearing on the Public Library Appropriation Account dated December 1, 1919, amounting to	6000.00
Claims appearing on the Street Lighting Appropriation Account dated December 1, 1919, amounting to	1699.99
Claims appearing on the Publishing and Advertising Appropriation Account dated December 1, 1919, amounting to	146.83
Claims appearing on the Muhlenberg Hospital Appropriation Account dated December 1, 1919 amounting to	1102.76
Total -	$ 161426.23

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

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On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J. Carroll

City Clerk.

DEC 15 1919

Monday Evening, December 15, 1919.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Ackerman, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck. Absent: Councilmen Condict, Force and Hull.

Minutes of regular meeting held Dec. 1st were read and approved.

Councilman Force came in while minutes were being read.

Suspend Rules

Councilman Hight moved regular order of business be suspended for the purpose of receiving bids for fire hose as advertised. So ordered.

Affidavit Publication

The Clerk presented affidavit of publication of Corporation notice calling for bids, which was ordered filed.

Bids

The President stated that the hour had arrived to receive bids for fire hose, and requested bidders to submit their proposals.

The clerk reported four (4) bids received.

The President asked if there were any others present desirous of submitting bids, stating that no bid would be received after the clerk commenced to open the bids.

There being no further bids presented, the President appointed Councilman Maynard to assist the clerk in opening the bids; which are as follows:

United States Rubber Co.	
Paragon	$ 1.30
High Pressure Double Jacket	$ 1.10
United & Globe Rubber Mfg. Cos.	
Vim	$ 1.15
Woodhouse Mfg. Co.	
Heavy Double Jacket	$ 1.20 less 5%
Amer. LaFrance Fire Engine Co. Inc.	
Double Jacket, Underwriters' label	$ 1.15
" " not " "	$ 1.05
Single " " "	$ .85
" " " " "	$ .80

The bids were referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Councilman Hight moved Council return to regular order of business. So ordered.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Insurance policy No. 10977, Continental Ins. Co., for $1000, covering cows, horses, harness, tools, etc. at Rock

File Insurance Policies

Avenue, for one year from December 9, 1919, was presented and ordered filed.

Petition East End Civic Assoc. Refered to Committees

Petition from the East End Civic Association for the following improvements was read and referred to the Committee on Streets:

For crosswalks across the following streets:
Johnston Ave. on the southeast side of Midway Ave.
Johnston Ave. on the southeast side of George St.
Hill Street at North Avenue,
Netherwood Avenue at North Avenue
Netherwood Avenue on the southeast side of George St.
North Ave. on the northeast side of Jackson Avenue
George Street on the northeast side of Netherwood Ave.,

For construction of foot bridges:
One across the gutter of North Ave. at the west corner of Netherwood Avenue
Enlarge the two present bridges at North Ave. & Watson Ave.

Referred to the Committee on Streets.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:

Mayors Communication recommending salary to Jacob Jonas.

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, as Chairman of the Board of Police, recommending payment to Jacob Jonas salary from Nov. 1st to Dec. 10th while incapacitated by illness. Referred to the Police Committee.

File report District Court

Report of the Clerk of the District Court for the months of October and November were read and ordered filed.

City Clerk reported copy of resolution served on Fifth Protective Assoc

The City Clerk reported that he had served a copy of resolution adopted by the Council upon the Plainfield Protective Association but that he had not received a reply thereto.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

CITY HALL BUILDING BY COUNCILMAN ACKERMAN:

No report.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

Resolution borrow $500 proposed improvement to Fifth Street etc.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $500 on account of proposed improvements to Fifth Street, Plainfield Ave. and West Front Street:

RESOLVED, That Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00) be borrowed on account of proposed improvement of Fifth Street, Plainfield Avenue and West Front Street in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments, and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute

demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Five Hundred Dollars ($500,00) at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $500 on account of Watchung Avenue widening:

Resolution borrow $500 Widening Watchung Avenue.

RESOLVED, That Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00) be borrowed for Watchung Avenue Widening Purposes (Ordinance adopted by the Common Council October 6, 1919) in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments, and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00) at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $3000 to cover interest on City Hall notes:

Resolution Borrow $3000 Int. City Hall note

RESOLVED, That Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000.00) be borrowed to pay interest on City Hall notes in anticipation of the sale of bonds, and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000) at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $3000 for sewer extension purposes:

Resolution Borrow $3000 Sewer Extension Purpose

RESOLVED, That Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000.00) be borrowed for Sewer Extension Purposes and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be,and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000.00) at a rate of interest not to exceed six per cent (6%).

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll

all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $2,000 for sewer extension purposes:

Resolution Borrow $2000 Sewer Extension anticipation sale of bonds.

RESOLVED, That Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000) be borrowed for Sewer Extension Purposes (Ordinance adopted by the Common Council August 18, 1919) in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments, and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000) at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the rol all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $1500 for storm sewer purposes:

Resolution Borrow $1500 Storm Sewer Purposes.

RESOLVED, That One Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars ($1,500.00) be borrowed for Storm Sewer Purposes and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of One Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars ($1,500) at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the rol all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported back for filing the following communicati with report that the matters therein referred to had been at tended to:

File communications with Finance Committee

Finance Committee from Elliot T. Barrows, Sec. Bd. Healt
" " Fisher & Boone, Auditors,
Council from City Clerk, zone system
City Clerk form Pub. Utility Commissioners, zone plan

Finance Committee from Bowers & Suffern, Auditors,
Communication from City Clerk to G. Herbert Condict, enclosing extract from report of auditors.
Finance Committee from Tax Collector
" " " " " , estimated budget
" " " " " Dec. 24, 1918

Moved when we adjourn we adjourn to meet Tuesday evenin Dec. 30th. So ordered.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY COUNCILMAN McDONOUGH:

File petition B. F. Tallamy et als.

Reported back for filing petition of B. F. Tallamy and others protesting against the paving being laid by the Trolley Company on West Front Street, and petition from James C. and J. L. Manning for sewer in Myrtle Avenue, with report that these matters had been attended to by the Committee.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HIGHT:

Presented report that the Committee had placed on probationary duty William Galbraith on Dec. 1, 1919, and recommending that the action of the Committee be confirmed; and offered the following resolution confirming said action of the committee:

Resolution Hight

RESOLVED, that the action of the Committee on Fire & Buildings in placing Mr. William Galbraith on Probationary Duty in the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield on December 1, 1919 be, and the same hereby is, approved and ratified.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

File papers two-platoon system

Reported back for filing papers respecting two-platoon system in the Fire Department, and communication of Nov. 6, 1918 from the Schedule Rating Bureau, with report that these matters had been taken care of by the Committee.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

Reported, for the benefit of representatives of bidders for fire hose, that the Committee would not take any action this evening on the bids.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:-

Reported on the petition from the Monday Afternoon Club for public comfort stations that this matter had been referred to the Research and Advisory Commission for in-

Matter of Public Comfort Stations referred to Research & Advisory Commission

File petition Plfd Mothers Association respecting playgrounds.

vestigation, and with report that the petitioners had been so advised.

Reported that the petition from the Plainfield Mothers Association respecting playgrounds had been referred to the Research and Advisory Commission for investigation and report and with report that the petitioners had been so advised, and moved petition be filed. So ordered.

Refer petition N. J. Trackless Trolley Co. to Public Affairs Committee 1920

Reported that the petition from the N. J. Trackless Trolley Co. had been considered at a meeting at which Mr. Rossman and Mr. Frost were present, at which meeting the Committee arrived at the conclusion that the petitioners should first furnish the Council with a statement as to their financial ability to carry out their contract if awarded a franchise, with the Act under which they proposed to incorporate, and with a list of the signers who are willing that the trolley operate in front of their property; and reported back their petition and moved same be referred to the Public Affairs Committee of the Council of 1920. So ordered.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Reported back for filing communication from his Honor, the Mayor, as Chairman of the Board of Police, and offered the following resolution to pay salary to Officer Jonas while incapacitated by illness:

Resolution Pay salary to Patrolman Jonas during illness

> WHEREAS, it appears by proper certification by the Chief of Police, the City Physician and others, that Policeman Jacob Jonas has been prevented by illness from the performance of duty from November 1 to December 10th, 1919, inclusive, and that the Board of Police recommends that he be paid the salary accruing during that time.
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> RESOLVED, that notwithstanding the absence from active duty of Policeman Jacob Jonas from November 1st to December 10th, 1919, inclusive, such absence having been caused by illness, he be paid the sum of $131.89, being pay at the regular rate during said absence.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, McDonough, Maynard, Lovell and Sminck and President Hylan.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

Reported back for filing petition from Geo. V. Carson for light at the corner of Osborn and Lorraine Avenues, and

offered the following resolution granting the same:

Install light Osborne & Loraine Ave

RESOLVED, that the Public Service Electric Company be, and it hereby is, directed to install one 32 candle power lamp at such corner of Osborne and Loraine Avenues as shall be designated by the Street Lighting Committee.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Reported on petition from A. Rajotti and others for light on Jefferson Avenue near the bridge over Green Brook and offered the following resolution granting same:

Install light Jefferson Ave.

RESOLVED, That the Public Service Electric Company be, and it hereby is, directed to install one 32 candle power lamp on the Plainfield side of Jefferson Avenue near the bridge over Green Brook.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

ALMS BY COUNCILMAN ACKERMAN:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Second reading Ordinance $200,000 City Hall Bonds.

Councilman Sminck called up on second reading an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the issuance of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000) negotiable City Hall Bonds of the City of Plainfield, New Jersey," The Clerk read the ordinance for its second reading, which is as follows:

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS ($200,000) NEGOTIABLE CITY HALL BONDS OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY.

WHEREAS, pursuant to proceedings of the Common Council heretofore duly taken and adopted, a site for a new City Hall was purchased and such City Hall constructed, and said improvement has been completed and the amount necessary to pay therefor has heretofore been duly appropriated and said improvement has been financed temporarily; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of said site and the construction of said City Hall building is the sum of $206,104.42; and it is now desirable to issue Permanent Bonds of the City in the sum of $200,000 to pay to that extent the cost of said site and the construction of said City Hall building, and to retire to that extent outstanding evidences of indebtedness issued for the purpose temporarily of financing said improvement;

NOW, THEREFORE, The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield by their Common Council do enact as follows:-

Section 1. That for the purpose of raising funds to pay $200,000 of the cost of said site and the construction of said City Hall building and liquidating to the extent of $200,000 outstanding evidences of indebtedness issued temporarily to finance said improvement, there be issued two-hundred Negotiable Coupon City Hall Bonds of The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield in the aggregate sum of $200,000. Said bonds to be of the denomination of $1,000 each, all dated the first day of December, 1919, to bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of June and December in each year, which said bonds shall be numbered from 1 to 200 both inclusive, and mature in numerical order five bonds on the first day of December in each of the years 1921 to 1948 both inclusive, and six bonds on the first day of December in each of the years 1949 to 1958 both inclusive. That the amount of money necessary to be raised therefor is the sum of $200,000.

That said bonds shall be signed by the Mayor and sealed with the corporate seal of the City and shall be attested by the City Clerk, and the coupons shall be signed with the fac-simile signature of the City Treasurer. Said bonds when ordered by resolution of the Common Council shall be sold for an amount not less than the par value thereof, and there shall be raised by tax each year hereafter while any of said bonds are outstanding and unpaid such sum of money as may be necessary to pay the interest on all the outstanding bonds and the principal of said bonds as the same shall respectively become due and payable.

Section 2. It is hereby determined and declared:

(a) The probable period of usefulness of the said improvement is forty years from the first day of January, 1919.

(b) The average assessed valuation of the taxable real prpperty (including improvements) of the City of Plainfield computed upon the next preceding three valuations thereof in the manner provided in Section 12 of Chapter 252 P.L. 1916, as amended by Chapter 240 P.L. 1917, is $28,082,159.00

(c) The Net debt of said City of Plainfield computed in the manner provided in said Section 12 of said Act as amended is $1,384,000.00.

(d) The annual statement and the supplemental statement required by Section 12 of said Act as amended have been made by the Treasurer of the City of Plainfield, the chief financial officer of said City, and filed in the office of the City Clerk, as required by said Act as amended.

Adopt Ordinance

Councilman Sminck moved adoption of the said ordinance on second reading and final passage. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affivmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Councilman Sminck moved the ordinance be advertised according to law. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

NEW BUSINESS:

A petition just presented from John J. Pread and others respecting routes and service of Jitney Busses, was read and referred to the Police Committee.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Reported all claims presented as correct, and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

Pay Claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:-

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of Officials and General Office Employees for the 1st half of December 1919, amounting to $ 715.83

Claims appearing on the Miscellaneous Appropriation Account, dated December 15, 1919, amounting to (Including $129,751.08 paid to County Collector for State Road,

State School and County Tax)	129,773.64
Claims appearing on the Interest on School Bonds Appropriation Account dated December 15, 1919, amounting to	8,112.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 1st half of December 1919, amounting to	220.42
Claims appearing on the Tax Department Appropriation Account dated December 15, 1919, amounting to (Salaries of Assessors for 1919)	1,600.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Department for the 1st half of December 1919, amounting to	45.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 1st half of December 1919, amounting to	120.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 1st half of December 1919, amounting to	62.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 1sthalf of December 1919, amounting to	1,594.50
Claims appearing on the Interest on Street Improvement Bonds Appropriation Account dated December 15, 1919, amounting to	2,970.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Permanent Pavement 1919 Acct. for the 1st half of December 1919, amounting to	109.75
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 1st half of December 1919, amounting to	206.28
Claims appearing on the Interest on Sewer Bonds Appropriation Account dated December 15, 1919, amounting to	720.00
Claims appearing on the Principal on Sewer Bonds Appropriation Account dated December 15, 1919, amounting to	4,000.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Extension Account for the 1st half of December 1919, amounting to	54.00
Carry Forward	$ 150,306.09

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 1st half of December 1919, amounting to	1,569.50
Claims appearing on the Interest on Police Station Bonds Appropriation Account dated December 15, 1919, amounting to	303.75
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 1st half of December 1919, amounting to	1,842.95
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 1st half of December 1919, amounting to	136.92
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 1sthalf of December 1919, amounting to	50.00
Total	$ 154,209.21

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

On motion the meeting then adjourned to meet Tuesday, December 30th at 8 o'clock P. M.

John J Carroll

City Clerk.

Tuesday Evening, December 30, 1919.

Adjourned regular meeting

Adjourned regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Hylan and Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck. Absent Councilman Condict.

Minutes of regular meeting held December 15th were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

File Insurance Policies

The following insurance policies

St. Paul No. 18400, for $50,000 on the City Hall
National Ban Franklin #543304, for $50,000on City Hall
National Ban Franklin #543381, for $5,000 on City Hall furniture

each expiring December 13, 1922, were presented and ordered filed.

File bond Geo. York.

Bond of George York, Constable, duly executed, was presented and ordered filed.

File statements Joint Sewer

Two statements of the Joint Meeting (Joint Sewer) of claims ordered paid at a meeting of the Joint Meeting held Dec. 23d, were presented and ordered filed.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER

File report Engr. Charge Sewers.

Report of the Engineer in Charge of Sewers, of sewer permits issued during the month of December, was read and ordered filed.

File reports Collector, Insp. Bldgs. Clerk District Court, City Clerk.

Report of the Collector, of the Inspector of Buildings, of the Clerk of the District Court, and of the City Clerk, for the month of December, were each read and ordered filed.

File report Overseer of Poor

Report of the Overseer of the Poor for the month of November, and for the month of December, were each read and ordered filed.

Supplemental debt statement

Supplemental Debt Statement of the Treasurer showing the net debt, as of December 30, 1919, to be 5.2% of the average assessed valuation.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

CITY HALL BUILDING BY COUNCILMAN ACKERMAN:

Offered the following resolution to borrow $200 for the City Hall Account:

Resolution Borrow $200 City Hall Account

RESOLVED, That the sum of Two Hundred Dollars ($200) be borrowed for City Hall Account and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Two Hundred Dollars ($200) at a rate of interest not to exeed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN SMINCK:

Offered the following resolution to return $100,000 to the Surplus Revenue Account:

Resolution return $100,000 to Surplus Revenue Account.

WHEREAS, by resolution of this Council adopted February 3, 1919, One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000.00) were transferred from the Surplus Revenue Account to the Reserve Surplus Account

BE IT RESOLVED, That the said amount of One HundredThousand Dollars ($100,000.00) be, and the same hereby is, returned to the Surplus Revenue Account.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $25,000 for 1919 permanent street improvement purposes:

Resolution $25,000 for 1919 Permanent Street Improvement purposes.

RESOLVED, That Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.00) be borrowed for 1919 Permanent Street Improvement Purposes (Ordinance adopted by the Common Council April 29, 1919) in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note or notes on behalf of the City in said sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.00) at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $100.00 for the Snow and Ice Account:

Resolution borrow $100. for snow & ice acct.

RESOLVED, That the sum of One Hundred Dollars ($100) be borrowed for Snow and Ice Account purposes in anticipation of the collection of assessments, and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of One Hundred Dollars ($100) at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolutionto borrow $1500.00 for 1919 Sewer Extension purposes:

Resolution borrow $1500 for sewer extension 1919 purposes.

RESOLVED, That Fifteen Hundred Dollars ($1500) be borrowed for Sewer Extension 1919 purposes (ordinance adopted by the Common Council August 18, 1919) in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars ($1500) at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to transfer certain sums from the Interest on Notes appropriation to other accounts:

Resolution - transfer from Int. on Notes appropriation certain sums to other accounts

WHEREAS, it appears that there will be an excess in the Interest on Notes Appropriation as stated in the 1919 Budget over and above the amount deemed to be necessary to fulfill the purpose of such appropriation, and

WHEREAS, because of unforseen demands there has arisen the necessity for a greater expenditure to fulfill the purposes of the City Poor Fund Appropriation, Building Inspector Appropriation, Shade Tree Commission Appropriation, Miscellaneous Appropriation and City Storage Yard Appropriation as stated in the 1919 budget.

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Section 19 Chapter 192 Laws of New Jersey for 1917 the following amounts be transferred from the said Interest on Notes Appropriation to the appropriations indicated below:

$ 930.24 to the City Poor Fund Appropriation
$ 23.85 to the Building Inspector's Dept."
$ 16.62 to the Shade Tree Commission "
$1,942.36 to the Miscellaneous "
$ 7.30 to Purchase City Storage Yard "

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to transfer $2500 from the Fire Department appropriation to the Sewer Maintenance appropriation:

Resolution transfer $2500 from Fire Appropriation to Sewer Maintenance

WHEREAS, it appears that there will be an excess in the Fire Department Appropriation as stated in the 1919 Budget over and above the amount deemed to be necessary to fulfill the purpose of such appropriation, and

WHEREAS, because of unforseen demands there has arisen the necessity for a greater expenditure to fulfill the purposes of the Sewer Maintenance Appropriation as stated in the 1919 Budget.

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Section 19, Chapter 192, Laws of New Jersey for 1917, $2500.00 be transferred from the said Fire Department Appropriation to the said Sewer Maintenance Appropriation.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to transfer $2000 from the Street Department Appropriation to the Sewer Maintenance Appropriation:

Resolution - Transfer $2000 from Street Dept. Appropriation to Sewer Maintenance Appropriation

WHEREAS, it appears that there will be an excess in the Street Department Appropriation as stated in the 1919 Budget over and above the amount deemed to be necessary to fulfill the purpose of such appropriation, and

WHEREAS, because of unforseen demands there has arisen the necessity for a greater expenditure to fulfill the purpose of the Sewer Maintenance Appropriation as stated in the 1919 budget.

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Section 19, Chapter 192, Laws of New Jersey for 1917, $2,000.00 be transferred from the said Street Department Appropriation to the said Sewer Maintenance appropriation.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Offered the following resolution to transfer $298.18 from the Salaries and Bonus Appropriation to the Insurance Premium appropriation:

Resolution transfer $298.18 from Salaries and Bonus Appropriation to Insurance Premium appropriation.

WHEREAS, it appears that there will be an excess in the Salaries and Bonus Appropriation as stated in the 1919 Budget over and above the amount deemed to be necessary to fulfill the purpose of such appropriation, and

WHEREAS, because of unforseen demands there has arisen the necessity for a greater expenditure to fulfill the purposes of the Insurance Premiums Appropriation as stated in the 1919 Budget.

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Section 19, Chapter 192, Laws of New Jersey for 1917, $298.18 be transferred from the said Salaries and Bonus Appropriation to the said Insurance Premiums Appropriation.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

File 1919 minutes meetings.

Presented minutes of the meetings of the Finance Committee for the year 1919 and moved they be filed. So ordered.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY COUNCILMAN McDONOUGH:

Presented the following report respecting enlargement of bridges over Cedar Brook, which was read and is as follows:

Report- enlargement bridges over Cedar Brook.

Dec. 29, 1919.

To the Honorable Common Council
of the City of Plainfield.
Gentlemen:

The Committee on Streets recommends to your Honorable Body the adoption of the attached resolution requesting the Board of Chosen Freeholders of Union County to enlarge the capacity of certain bridges over Cedar Brook by deepening the brook, or otherwise, said bridges being at the following named streets:-

Emerson Avenue; Jackson Avenue; Johnston Aven
North Avenue; Berckman Street; South Avenue
Richmond Street (between Putnam and Watchung Av

We realize that some of the trouble from flood
ing in this section is due to the restricted water
way through private property between the bridges,
but we believe that the enlargement of these bridg
would be the first step toward securing greater
capacity in the entire brook.

We enclose a table giving dimensions of bridge
throats of the bridges over Cedar Brook.

PETER J. McDONOUGH
Acting Chairman
Committee on Streets

Offered the following resolution recommending to the Board of Freeholders that they enlarge certain bridges over Cedar Brook:

Resolution recommending to Board of Freeholders the enlargement of certain bridges

WHEREAS it is claimed that in the case of several bridges over Cedar Brook in the City of Plainfield the space through which water may flow is insufficient to carry the stream in time of even ordinary high water, whereby damage results to both public and private property;

RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union is respectfully requested to investigate said allegations and to promptly enlarge the throat of any bridge which may be inadequate and particularly those crossing the streat at Emerson Avenue, Jackson Avenue, Johnston Avenue, North Avenue, Berckman Street, South Avenue and Richmond Street (between Putnam and Watchung Avenues).

RESOLVED FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be sent by the City Clerk to said Board of Freeholders.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

Refer petitions to Council 1920

Reported back the following petitions and moved they be referred to the Council of 1920. So ordered.

East End Civic Assn., Sept. 12, 1919, for repair and construction sidewalks
East End Civic Assn. Sept. 13, 1919, for cinder walk on East Second Street
F. L. V. Jones for improvement of Evergreen Avenue
Monday Afternoon Club for the placing of more trash recepticles.
W. F. Price for repair of Putnam Avenue

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C. Edward Hadden, for repair of Raymond Avenue
Newark Paving Co. for extension of time
East End Civic Ass'n. of Nov. 15, 1919, for storm sewer in North Avenue from Leland Ave. to Cedar Brook, and to have the Midway graded from Netherwood Avenue to Terrill Road. It is recommended that this petition be referred with the suggestion that, before steps are taken for the construction of a storm sewer in this locality provision should be made for the substantial deepening of the Brook below North Avenue, as without such increase of the capacity of the outlet conditions in the vicinity of North Avenue and Berckman Street would be much worse than at present.

File minutes meetings 1919 Committee

Presented the minutes of the Committees for the year 1919 and moved they be filed. So ordered.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HIGHT:

Reported back for filing bids for fire hose, and offered the following resolution accepting bid of the United & Globe Rubber Mfg. Co.:

Resolution accpt bid of Globe Rubber Mfg. Co. for fire hose.

RESOLVED, That the bid of the United and Globe Rubber Manufacturing Company for two thousand (2000) feet of two and one-half (2½) inch fire hose, "Vim" brand at $1.15 per foot, said bid being the most advantageous for the City, be, and the same hereby is, accepted.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, Maynard, McDonough and Sminck and President Hylan.

for petition 1920 Council

Reported back petition of Albert Rajotti and others for hydrants on Jefferson Avenue and moved same be referred to the Council of 1920. So ordered.

File minutes 99 Committee

Presented minutes of the meetings of the Committee for the year 1919 and moved they be filed. So ordered.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Presented minutes of the meetings of the Committee

File minutes 1919 Council

for the year 1919 and moved they be filed. So ordered.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

Refer petitions to 1920 Council

Reported back the following petitions and moved they be referred to the Council of 1920. So ordered.

✓ Petition F. T. Woodhull & others for lights on Stelle Avenue
✓ Communication from the Borough of Fanwood respecting lights on Terrill Road

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

File minutes 1919 Committee

Presented the minutes of the meetings of the Committee for the year 1919 and moved they be filed. So ordered.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN GRAVES:

File minutes 1919 Committee

Presented minutes of the meetings of the Committee for the year 1919 and moved they be filed. So ordered.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Reported back petition from Mr. Leonard McCracken and others respecting regulation of jitney buses, with communication of December 30th from the Chairman of the Board of Police as to why the petition had been refused, which communication was read and is as follows:

Communication Board of Police regarding petition from Leonard McCracken Jitney operator

To the Honorable the Common Council
of the City of Plainfield:

Referring to the petition of Mr. Leonard McCracken, operating a jitney bus line on the 4th Street route which was referred through the Police Committee to the Board of Police, said Board returns said petition herewith for filing and reports that after careful consideration it has found it necessary to deny the request for a return to the old route terminating on Somerset Street. Under the City ordinances the Board of Police is charged with the duty of regulating traffic

generally, and particularly crowded vehicular traffic, and in its judgment the traffic conditions in the congested business sections, as well as the public convenience, not only justifies but requires the jitney and omnibus routes recently laid out and promulgated by the Board. The conditions at Front Street and Somerset Street have been intolerable and complaints have been long continued and numerous.

Before the change in the jitney routes was decided upon by the Board of Police, the Mayor obtained a measure of relief through the cooperation of the Public Service Corporation which established stops 200 feet both east and west of Somerset Street instead of between Somerset Street and Park Avenue. Establishing a terminus for the 4th Street jitney at Park Avenue and Second Street instead of Somerset Street just beyond Front Street was for the purpose of further relieving the congestion at Somerset Street. Park Avenue and Second Street is as near the center of the business district as any other location, and affords a suitable bus terminus, besides doing away with the necessity of turning around on Somerset Street where the traffic is heavy. For these and many other reasons the Board is satisfied that the new routes which have been laid out are both practical and reasonable, and they have the emphatic recommendation of the Police Department of the City.

Mr. McCracken has been advised of the decision of the Board so that no further action is required other than the filing of the petition returned herewith.

LEIGHTON CALKINS
Mayor and Chairman
Board of Police

December 30, 1919.

Councilman Graves moved that the said petition and communication be referred to the Council of 1920; seconded by Councilman Sminck. After consideration, the motion was lost upon a call of the roll, Councilman Ackerman, Force, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and President Hylan voting in the negative; Councilmen Graves and Sminck voting in the affirmative.

Motion to refer communication to 1920 Council. Motion lost

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Reported all claims presented as correct, and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

Resolution Pay Claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of Officials and General Office Employees for the 2nd half of December 1919, amounting to 540.83

Claims appearing on the Miscellaneous Appropriation Account dated December 30, 1919, amounting to (Including $8,891.44 interest on notes) 11525.18

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 2nd half of December 1919, amounting to 220.46

Claims appearing on the Tax Department Appropriation Account dated December 30, 1919, amounting to 487.67

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 2nd half of December, 1919, amounting to 62.50

Claims appearing on the City Court Appropriation Account dated December 30, 1919, amounting to 3.05

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 2nd half of December 1919, amounting to 120.91

Claims appearing on the District Court Appropriation Account dated December 30, 1919, amounting to 23.45

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Department for the 2nd half of December 1919, amounting to 45.68

Claims appearing on the Building Department Appropriation Account dated December 30, 1919, amounting to 37.64

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 2nd half of December 1919, amounting to 1406.67

Claims appearing on the Street Department Appropriation Account dated December 30, 1919, amounting to 3035.76

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Permanent Pavement 1919 Account for the 2nd half of December 1919, amounting to 97.00

Claims appearing on the Permanent Pavement 1919 Account dated December 30, 1919, amounting to 28497.45

Claims appearing on the Permanent Pavement 1917 Account dated December 30, 1919, amounting to 200.00

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 2nd half of December 1919, amounting to 231.06

Claims appearing on the Sewer Department Appropriation Account dated December 30, 1919, amounting to 5378.01

Claims appearing on the Sewer Extension 1919

Appropriation Account dated December 30, 1919, amounting to	1100.35
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 2nd half of December 1919, amounting to	1566.57
Claims appearing on the Police Department Appropriation Account dated December 30, 1919, amounting to	690.35
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 2nd half of December 1919, amounting to	1842.84
Claims appearing on the Fire Department Appropriation Account dated December 30, 1919, amounting to	2957.71
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay rollof the Poor Department for the 2nd half of December 1919, amounting to	135.42
Claims appearing on the Poor Department Appropriation Account dated December 30, 1919, amounting to	1357.97
Claims appearing on the Publishing and Advertising Appropriation Account dated December 30, 1919, amounting to	344.69
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 2nd half of December 1919, amounting to	56.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Snow and Ice Account 1919, for the 2nd half of December 1919, amounting to	78.38
Claims appearing on the Insurance Appropriation Account dated December 30, 1919 amounting to	298.18
Claims appearing on the City Hall Appropriation Account dated December 30, 1919 amounting to	417.50
Claims appearing on the Street Lighting Appropriation Account dated December 30, 1919, amounting to	1696.89
Claims appearing on the Proposed Improvement of 5th Street, Plainfield Avenue, and West Front Street Appropriation Account dated December 30, 1919, amounting to	2.31
Total	$ 64458.48

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Graves, Hight, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Sminck and President Hylan.

The stenographer's minutes were then read and approved, and the Council then on motion adjourned sine die.

John J Carroll

City Clerk.

General Election

GENERAL ELECTION

1919

The General Election held November 4th, 1919, resulted in the election of the following Officials who have taken the prescribed oath and filed the same in the City Clerk's office within the time required by law.

For Members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders	Elias H. Bird James F. Buckle
City Judge	William G. DeMeza
Councilmen-at-Large	Peter J. McDonough Charles C. Graves Elmer R. Mills
Councilman First Ward	Edward T. Walsh
Councilman Second Ward	Arthur Lovell
Councilman Third Ward	Wm. J. Boyd
Councilman Fourth Ward	James A. Maynard

Thursday Evening, January 1, 1920.

Regular Meeting

Council met at eight (8) o'clock this evening in regular session as prescribed by law.

Present, Messrs. Marion S. Ackerman, William J. Boyd, Arthur E. Force, Nelson Y. Hull, Arthur Lovell, Peter J. McDonough, James A. Maynard, Elmer R. Mills, Charles C. Graves. Absent, Messrs. G. Herbert Condict and Edward T. Walsh. Being all the members of the Common Council.

The meeting was called to order by the Clerk, John J. Carroll, who stated the first business would be the election of a President. Councilman Maynard moved we now proceed to the election of a president by ballot. So ordered.

Election of President by ballot

Councilman Maynard nominated Councilman Charles C. Graves, seconded by Councilman McDonough. Councilman Maynard moved nominations be closed. So ordered. Councilman Maynard moved that the clerk cast the ballot for Councilman Graves. So ordered. The clerk thereupon cast the ballot for Councilman Graves, and declared Charles C. Graves duly elected President of the Council of 1920, and appointed Councilmen Ackerman and McDonough to escort the President to the chair.

The clerk thenread the following call for the meeting and reported that all members had been served with a copy:

December 27, 1919.

Dear Sir:-

Call

Pursuant to Sec. 3, Charter Supplement of 1873 and Subsequent General Statutes, notice is hereby given that the members of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, New Jersey for the year 1920 will hold their first meeting at the Council Chamber, City Hall on Thursday, the first day of January 1920, at the hour of eight o'clock P. M. for the purpose of organizing for the transaction of business, receiving and acting upon the communications from the Mayor or any City Officer, and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

The meeting is called for the purpose aforesaid because it is important that the President of the Common Council should be chosen on this date, in order, among other things, to provide against the contingency of the death of the Mayor, in pursuance of Chapter 196 of the Laws of 1905 entitled "An Act to provide who shall act as Mayor in case of the death of the Mayor of any City".

Your obedient servant,

JOHN J. CARROLL, City Clerk

Resolution employ Robert McCormack as page to Council

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution employing Robert McCormack as page to the Council:

RESOLVED, that Robert McCormack be, and he hereby is, appointed page to the Common Council at a salary of $50.00 per year.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Resolution adopt Rules of Order.

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution adopting the Rules of Order for the 1920 Council:

RESOLVED, That the Rules of Order of the 1919 Council be adopted as the Rules of Order of the 1920 Council with the exception that Rule 8, relating to Order of Business, be amended by inserting after paragraph 5 of said rule 5a, Unfinished Business.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Committees appointed

The President then appointed the following committees:

FINANCE

Marion S. Ackerman, Chairman
G. Herbert Condict — Nelson Y. Hull
P. J. McDonough — Arthur Lovell

STREETS

G. Herbert Condict, Chairman
P. J. McDonough — Arthur E. Force
Marion S. Ackerman — James A. Maynard

SEWERS

G. Herbert Condict, Chairman
P. J. McDonough — Arthur E. Force
Marion S. Ackerman — James A. Maynard

FIRE AND BUILDINGS

P. J. McDonough, Chairman
Nelson Y. Hull — James A. Maynard
G. Herbert Condict — Arthur Lovell

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Arthur E. Force, Chairman
Arthur Lovell — William J. Boyd
Marion S. Ackerman — P. J. McDonough

POLICE
Nelson Y. Hull, Chairman
James A. Maynard G. Herbert Condict

STREET LIGHTING
Elmer R. Mills, Chairman
Edward T. Walsh Nelson Y. Hull

ALMS
Arthur Lovell, Chairman
Marion S. Ackerman Edward T. Walsh

LICENSE
Edward T. Walsh, Chairman
William J. Boyd Elmer R. Mills

LAWS & ORDINANCES
James A. Maynard, Chairman
Arthur E. Force Elmer R. Mills

AUDITING
William J. Boyd, Chairman
Elmer R. Mills Arthur E. Force

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution to elect a committee on sewers:

Resolution to elect Committee on Sewers

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Section 10 of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for drainage and sewerage in Cities of this State," approved April 7, 1890, as said section was amended by Chapter 168 of the Laws of 1897 (P.L. 1897, P. 337) and amendments or supplements thereto, the Council do now proceed to appoint by ballot from amongst themselves a Committee to be called "The Committee on Sewers," to possess the powers and perform the duties assigned to such Committee by said Acts of the Legislature, the said Committee to continue in office for one year and until their successors are appointed, the members thereof continuing to be members of said Common Council or if they cease to be such members of said Common Council, then their place to be supplied by said Council; vacancies, however caused, to be filled by said Council; and all improvements made under said Acts of the legislature to be referred to said Committee by resolution.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Committee on Sewers

Councilman Lovell nominated as the Committee on Sewers, Councilmen Condict, McDonough, Ackerman, Force and Maynard; seconded by Councilman Hull. There being no further nominations, Councilman Lovell moved we now proceed to ballot

for Councilmen Condict, McDonough, Ackerman, Force and Maynard, "The Committee on Sewers". So ordered. Councilman Lovell moved the clerk cast the ballot, for the Committee on Sewers. So ordered. The clerk cast the ballot, and thereupon announced the election of Councilmen Condict, McDonough, Ackerman, Force and Maynard as the Committee on Sewers for the year 1920.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

The following liquor license applications were presented and referred to the Committee on Licenses:

Application for liquor license

INN & TAVERN

Jacob Blimm, Jr.	37-39 Somerset Street
John J. Sullivan	107-109-111 North Avenue
John A. Staats,	Corner Park Ave. & E. 2d St.

SALOON

Michael J. Devine	456 West 3d Street
John Schorb	115 East Front Street

WHOLESALE

Eastern Bottling Co.	Cor. West 2nd St. & Central
George R. Wescott	133-135 North Avenue

Petitions & Communications from 1919 referred to St. Lighting Comm.

A number of petitions and communications referred back by the Council of 1919 were presented and referred to the Street Lighting Committee.

Petitions & Comm. referred to Fire & Bldgs. Committee

A number of petitions and communications referred back by the Council of 1919 were presented and referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Petitions & Comm. referred to Public Affairs Committee

A number of petitions and communications referred back by the Council of 1919 were presented and referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Petitions & Comm. referred to St. Committee.

A number of petitions and communications referred back by the Council of 1919 were presented and referred to the Street Committee.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER

Mayor's Annual Message received

The Mayor's annual message was presented and read.

Comm. from Mayor nominating Chas. A. Reed Corp. Counsel.

Communication was received from His Honor, the Mayor, nominating Charles A. Reed as Counsel to the Corporation. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Mayor's Comm. nominating Bd of Assessors.

Communication was received from His Honor, the Mayor, nominating Thomas J. Hughes, Harry C. Runyon, John G. McLaughlin and Henry Liefke as members of the Board of Assessors. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Mayor's Comm. nominating C. F. Stout Research and Advisory Commission

Communication was received from His Honor, the Mayor, nominating Chauncey F. Stout as a member of the Research and Advisory Commission, Referred to the Finance Committee.

Mayor's Comm. nominating Stuart H. Patterson - Sinking Fund Comm.

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, nominating Stuart H. Patterson a member of the Sinking Fund Commission. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Mayor's Comm. nominating members Board of Health

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, nominating S. H. Voorhees and F. C. Ard members of the Board of Health. Referred to the Finance Committee

Mayor's Comm. nominating R. F. R. Huntsman Police Pension Fund Commissioner

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, nominating R. F. R. Huntsman as Police Pension Fund Commissioner. Referred to the Police Committee.

Mayor's Comm. nominating F. T. Dickerson Bd. Recreation Comm'rs

Communication was received from His Honor, the Mayor, nominating Fred T. Dickerson as a member of the Board of Recreation Commissioners. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Mayor's Comm. nominating Special Police Officers (City Hall, Theatre, Bank)

Communication was received from His Honor, the Mayor, nominating Robert McCormack, Rutherford B. Dalley and Tucker Johnson as special policemen. Referred to the Police Committee.

Mayor's Comm. nominating Special Police (Police Dept.)

Communication was received from His Honor, the Mayor, nominating Walter Merritt, Thomas O'Gorman as special policemen. Referred to the Police Committee.

Mayor's Comm. nominating Special Police (Walter Scott Co.)

Communication was received from His Honor, the Mayor, nominating Walter Scott and Edward Kennedy as special policemen. Referred to the Police Committee.

Mayor's Comm. nominating Special Police (International Nav. Co.)

Communication was received from His Honor, the Mayor, nominating W. S. Anderson, E. J. Bebout, Nicholas Meyers as special policemen. Referred to the Police Committee.

Mayor's Comm. nominating Special Police (Coast Co.)

Communication was received from His Honor, the Mayor, nominating T. Gage, A. Nelson, J. Owens, A. Campbell and D. F. Stewart as special policemen. Referred to the Police Committee.

Mayor's Comm. nominating Special Police (School Janitors)

Communication was received from His Honor, the Mayor, nominating George Broadbent, Russell Perrine, William Baker, Samuel Bolden, Frank Kelso, Louis Feiring, Harry Keen, William Graves and T. J. Clarkson as special policemen. Referred to the Police Committee.

Mayor's Comm. nominating Special Police (Home Defense)

Communication was received from His Honor, the Mayor, nominating M. S. Ackerman, L. S. Ayer, G. S. Andrews, A. Russo, W. B. Davis, J. W. Baker, I. B. Vail, E. W. Hughes, P. E. Matthews, F. G. Krekell, P. R. Collier

D. G. Atwood, L. R. Fort, E. M. Daniel, J. F. Garretson, C. E. Varian, H. S. Fullerton, G. M. Hopkins, W. L. Hetfield, Jr., R.F.R.Huntsman, H. M. Bogart, T. H. Keller, W. C. Mesner E.C.R.Laidlaw, C. M. Luckey, F. Schermond, A. L. Otterson, A. W. Ransome, R. S. Rowland, T. Mantz, M. B. Stutsman, H. G. Herwood, L. A. Viviano, T. R. VanBoskerck, G. T. VanBoskerck, H. F. Johnson, W. M. Walsh, Jr., D. F. Randolph, D. C. Adams, W. L. Hooper, J. I. Taylor, C. G. Monro, M. B. Caffrey, J. J. Carty, F. I. Walsh, C. W. Collins, J. F. Fuller, H. N. Adams, J. J. Ennis, Jr., H. Huntington, G. D. Herring, H. Hammitt, C. L. Kling, H. G. Johnson, S. J. Goetter, L. Smith, Jr., A. L. Keiser, B. F. Tallamy, R. M. Smith, R. S. Patch, L. T. Matlack, L. H. Matlack, A. W. Briggs, A. B. Davies, R. T. Phillip, H. L. deForest, A. A. Hassell, W. Siegrist, H. R. Stockton, H. VanZandt, M. E. Stow[illegible], W. P. Howell, A. C. Fike, N. E. Lewi, W. L. Long, E. O. Lent, G. D. Blair, J. Edgar, G. F. Murphy, G. B. Zimmer, C. S. Langdon, J. S. Higham, B. Pittis, C. W. Kinney, F. M. Masker, C. L. Hight, H. J. Gauthier, John Dought, C. J. Roseberry, A. L. Seidler, W. B. Shafer, P. B. Welles as special policemen. Referred to the Police Committee.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

File Mayor's Communication

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of Charles A. Reed and offered the following resolution confirming the same:

Resolution - Chas. A. Reed Corporation Counsel

RESOLVED, that the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

CHARLES A REED

for the office of Counsel to the Corporation, for the term of three years beginning January 1, 1920 and ending January 1, 1923.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

File Mayor's communication

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of Thomas J. Hughes, Harry C. Runyon, John G. McLaughlin and Henry Liefke as a Board of Assessors, and offered the following resolution confirming same:

Resolution - Board of Assessors

RESOLVED, that the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

THOMAS J. HUGHES
HARRY C. RUNYON
JOHN G. McLAUGHLIN
HENRY LIEFKE

as members of the Board of Assessors, for a term of three years beginning January 1, 1920, and

ending January 1, 1923.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Re Mayor's Communication

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of Chauncey F. Stout as a member of Research and Advisory Commission and offered the following resolution confirming the same:

Resolution - Research and Advisory Commission

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

CHAUNCEY F. STOUT

whose term of office as a member of the Research and Advisory Commission expires January 1, 1920, to succeed himself as a member of said Commission, for the term of five years, beginning January 1, 1920 and ending January 1, 1925.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Re Mayor's Communication

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of Stuart H. Patterson as a member of the Sinking Fund Commission and offered the following resolution confirming the same:

Resolution - Sinking Fund Commission

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

STUART H. PATTERSON

as a member of the Sinking Fund Commission of the Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, for the term of three years beginning January 1, 1920 and ending January 1, 1923.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Re Mayor's Communication

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of S. H. Voorhees and F. C. Ard as members of the Board of Health and offered the following resolution confirming the same:

Resolution - Members Bd of Health

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

S. H. VOORHEES
F. C. ARD

as members of the Board of Health for the term of two years beginning January 1, 1920 and ending January 1, 1922.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

File Mayor's Communication

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of Fred T. Dickerson as a member of the Board of Recreation Commissioners, and offered the following resolution confirming the same:

Resolution - Fred T. Dickerson Member Bd. of Recreation Commis

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

FRED T. DICKERSON

as a member of the Board of Recreation Commissioners, for the term of five years, beginning January 1, 1920 and ending January 1, 1925.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

STREETS & SEWERS BY COUNCILMAN McDONOUGH:

No report.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

No report.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

File Mayor's Communication

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of R. F. R. Huntsman as Police Pension Fund Commissioner, and offered the following resolution confirming the same:

Resolution - Police Pension Fund

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

R.F.R.HUNTSMAN

as Police Pension Commissioner to serve until January 1, 1923 being the unexpired portion of the term of DeWitt C. Ivins, deceased.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

File Mayor's communication

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of Robert McCormack, Rutherford B. Dalley and Tucker Johnson as special policemen, and offered the following resolution confirming same:

Resolution Special Police (City Hall, Bank, Theater)

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

ROBERT McCORMACK
RUTHERFORD B. DALLEY
TUCKER JOHNSON

as Special Policemen of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield, to serve until January 1, 1921, at such compensation and for such service as the Board of Police may from time to time fix and determine.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

File Mayor's nomination

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of Walter Merritt and Thomas O'Gorman as Special Policemen and offered the following resolution confirming the same:

Resolution Special Police (Police Dept.)

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

WALTER MERRITT
THOMAS O'GORMAN

as Special Policemen of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield, to serve until January 1, 1921, at such compensation and for such service as the Board of Police may from time to time fix and determine.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

File Mayor's nomination Special Police (Walter Scott Co.)

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of Walter Scott and Edward Kennedy as special policemen and offered the following resolution confirming same:

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

WALTER SCOTT
EDWARD KENNEDY

as Special Policemen of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield to serve until January 1, 1921, at such compensation and for such

service as the Board of Police may from time to time fix and determine.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

File Mayor's nomination

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of W. S. Anderson, E. J. Bebout and Nicholas Meyers as special policemen and offered the following resolution confirming same:

Resolution Special Police (International Motor Co.)

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

W. S. ANDERSON
E. J. BEBOUT
NICHOLAS MEYERS

as Special Policemen of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield, to serve until January 1, 1921, at such compensation and for such service as the Board of Police may from time to time fix and determine.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

File Mayor's nomination

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of T. Gage, A. Nelson, J. Owens, A. Campbell, D. F. Stewart as special policemen and offered the following resolution confirming the same:

Resolution-Special Police (Ford Co.)

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

T. GAGE
A. NELSON
J. OWNES
A. CAMPBELL
D. F. STEWART

as Special Policemen of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield, to serve until January 1, 1921, at such compensation and for such service as the Board of Police may from time to time fix and determine.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen, Ackerman, Force, Boyd, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

File Mayor's nomination

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of George Broadbent, Russell Perrine, William Baker, Joseph Baker, Samuel Bolden, Frank Kelso, Louis Feiring, Harry Keen, William Groves, T. J. Clarkson as special policemen and offered the following resolution confirming the same:

Resolution Special Police School Janitors

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

George Broadbent	Louis Feiring
Russel Perrine	Frank Kelso
William Baker	Harry Keen
Joseph Baker	William Groves
Samuel Bolden	T. J. Clarkson

as Special Policemen of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield, to serve until January 1, 1921, at such compensation and for such service as the Board of Police may from time to time fix and determine.

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File Mayor's nomination

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of M. S. Ackerman, L. S. Ayer, G. S. Andrews, A. Russo, W. B. Davis, J. W. Baker, I. B. Vail, E. W. Hughes, P. E. Matthews, F. G. Krekell, P. R. Collier, D. G. Atwood, L. R. Fort, E. M. Daniel, J. F. Garretson, C. E. Varian H. S. Fullerton, G. M. Hopkins, W. L. Hetfield, Jr., R.F.R. Huntsman, H. M. Bogart, T. H. Keller, W. C. Mesner, E.C.R. Laidlaw, C. M. Luckey, F. Schermond, A. L. Otterson, A. W. Ransome, R. S. Rowland, T. Mantz, M. B. Stutsman, H. G. Henwood, L. A. Viviano, T. R. VanBoskerck, G. T. VanBoskerck H. F. Johnson, W. M. Walsh, Jr., D. F. Randolph, D. C. Adams, Jr., W. L. Hooper, J. I. Taylor, C. G. Monro, M. B. Caffrey, J. J. Carty, F. I. Walsh, C. W. Collins, J. F. Fuller, H. N. Adams, J. J. Ennis, Jr., H. Huntington, G. D. Herring, H. Hammitt, C. L. Kling, H. G. Johnson, S. J. Goetter, L. Smith, Jr., A. L. Keiser, B. F. Tallamy, R. M. Smith, R. S. Patch, L. T. Matlack, L. H. Matlack, A. W. Briggs, A. B. Davies, R. T. Phillips, H. L. deForest, A. A. Hassell, W. Siegrist, H. R. Stockton, H. VanZandt, M. E. Stow, W. P. Howell, A. C. Fike, N. E. Lewis, W. L. Long, E. O. Lent, G. D. Blair, J. Edgar, G. F. Murphy, G. B. Zimmer, C. S. Langdon, J. S. Higham, B. Pittis, C. W. Kinney, F. M. Masker, C. L. Hight, H. J. Gauthier, John Doughty, C. J. Roseberry, A. L. Seidler, W. B. Shafer, P. B. Welles, as special policemen and offered the following resolution to confirm the same:

Resolution - Special Police (Home Defense)

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

M. S. Ackerman	H. G. Henwood	L. H. Matlack
L. S. Ayer	L. A. Viviano	A. W. Briggs,
G. S. Andrews	T. R. VanBoskerck	A. B. Davies
A. Russo	G. T. VanBoskerck	R. T. Phillips
W. B. Davis	H. F. Johnson	H. L. deForest
J. W. Baker	W. M. Walsh, Jr.	A. A. Hassell
I. B. Vail	D. F. Randolph	W. Siegrist
E. W. Hughes	D. C. Adams, Jr.	H. R. Stockton
P. E. Matthews	W. L. Hooper	H. VanZandt
F. G. Kerkell	J. I. Taylor	M. E. Stow
P. R. Collier	C. G. Monro	W. P. Howell
D. G. Atwood	M. B. Caffrey	A. C. Fike
L. R. Fort	J. J. Carty	N. E. Lewis
E. M. Daniel	F. I. Walsh	W. L. Long
J. F. Garretson	C. W. Collins	E. O. Lent
C. E. Varian	J. F. Fuller	G. D. Blair
H. S. Fullerton	H. N. Adams	J. Edgar
G. M. Hopkins	J. J. Ennis, Jr.	G. F. Murphy
W.L.Hetfield, Jr.	H. Huntington	G. B. Zimmer
R.F.R.Huntsman	G. D. Herring	C. S. Langdon
H. M. Bogart	H. Hammitt	J. S. Higham
T. H. Keller	C. L. Kling	B. Pittis
W. C. Mesner	H. G. Johnson	C. W. Kinney
E. C. R. Laidlaw	S. J. Goetter	F. M. Masker
C. M. Luckey	L. Smith, Jr.	C. L. Hight
F. Schermond	A. L. Keiser	H. J. Gauthier
A. L. Otterson	B. F. Tallamy	John Doughty
A. W. Ransome	R. M. Smith	C. J. Roseberry
R. S. Rowland	R. S. Patch	A. L. Seidler
T. Mantz	L. T. Matlack	W. B. Shafer
M. B. Stutsman		P. B. Welles

as Special Policemen of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield to serve until January 1, 1921, without pay, and for such service as the Mayor or Board of Police may fix and determine; said persons having agreed to accept such appointment.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN MILLS:

No report.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN BOYD:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Hull offered the following resolution appointing Councilmen Ackerman and McDonough members of the Board of School Estimate for 1920:

Resolution appointing Board of School Estimate

RESOLVED, That Councilmen Marion S. Ackerman and Peter J. McDonough be appointed by this Council as its members of the Board of School Estimate for this School District for the year 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution authorizing the Finance Committee to secure books for the Collector and Assessors for 1920:

Resolution authorize Finance Committee secure books for Assessors and Collector

RESOLVED, That the Finance Committee be and is hereby authorized to have made for the Board of Assessors and the Tax Collector, the books required for their departments for the year 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution authorizing the clerk to secure supply of committee cards, etc.:

Resolution - Supply Committee Cards, Roll Calls, etc.

RESOLVED, That the City Clerk be authorized to have a supply of Committee Cards, Roll Calls, Rules of the Council and Common Council stationery, printed for the current year.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilman Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution authorizing the printing of the Mayor's message and reports:

Resolution Print Annual Report

RESOLVED, That the Finance Committee be authorized to have printed in pamphlet form, at as early date as possible, the following:

Mayor's Messages , 1920
Report of the Treasurer for the year 1919;
Report of the Chief of Police for the year 1919;
Report of the Chief of the Fire Department for the year 1919;
Report of the Inspector of Buildings for the year 1919;
Report of the Public Library for the year ending June 1, 1919;
Report of the Shade Tree Commission for the year 1919;
Report of the Alms Committee for the year 1919;
Report of the Committee on Streets and Sewers for the year 1919;
Report of the Board of Recreation Commissioners for the year 1919;
Report of the Board of Health for the year 1919;

and any other Committee or Commission as shall make reports to the Common Council.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution authorizing the necessary cleaning of streets:

Resolution- Authorize necessary cleaning of streets

RESOLVED, That the Committee on Streets be authorized to cause the necessary cleaning of streets to be done, and the necessary repairs of streets to be made from time to time, provided that no expense shall be incurred for such purposes beyond such amounts as the Common Council shall from time to time authorize.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution placing $4500 to the credit of the Committee on Streets:

Resolution $4500 to credit of Committee on Streets

RESOLVED, That the sum of Forty-five Hundred Dollars ($4500) be placed to the credit of the Committee on Streets, until such time as the regular appropriation shall be fixed by the Common Council.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen

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Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution authorizing the Committee on Sewers to cause the necessary cleaning of sewers to be done:

Resolution authorize necessary cleaning of sewers be done

RESOLVED, That the Committee on Sewers be authorized to cause the necessary cleaning of sewers to be done, and the necessary repairs of sewers and appurtenances to be made, from time to time, provided that no expense shall be incurred for such purposes beyond such amounts as the Common Council shall from time to time authorize.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution appropriating $1000 to the Sewer Committee:

Resolution 1000 credit Sewer Committee

RESOLVED, That the sum of One Thousand Dollars ($1,000) be placed to the credit of the Committee on Sewers, for the maintenance of sewers, until such time as the regular appropriation shall be fixed by the Common Council.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution appropriation $800 to the Board of Health:

Resolution $800 credit Bd. of Health

RESOLVED, That the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars ($800) be placed to the credit of the Board of Health for the expenses of said Board, pending the fixing of the annual appropriation.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution appropriation $150 to the Shade Tree Commission:

Resolution $150 credit Shade Tree Commission

RESOLVED, That the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars ($150) be placed to the credit of the Shade Tree Commission for the planting and care of shade trees on the public streets, until such time as the regular appropriations shall be fixed by the Common Council.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution authorizing the Finance Committee to expend $10.00 to secure legislative bills session of 1920:

Resolution authorize Finance Committee to expend $10 to secure copy of all bills & resolutions

RESOLVED, That the Finance Committee be and is hereby authorized to expend the sum of Ten Dollars ($10) to furnish the City of Plainfield with copy of all bills and joint or concurrent resolutions introduced in the New Jersey Legislature for the session of 1920; said bills and resolutions to be forwarded to the office of the City Clerk.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution that there be issued special officer badges:

Resolution Special Police Badges

RESOLVED, That there be issued to each officer appointed as Special Policemen a Special Officer Badge, for which such officer shall be charged and the City shall receive the sum of Five Dollars ($5.00); that such badge be issued for the term to expire on the first day of January in the year next succeeding the appointment of such officer, and that said badge shall be returned to the Common Council upon the expiration of the said term; that upon the return and surrender of said badge to the Common Council by said officer at the expiration of his said term, the sum of Two Dollars and Fifty Cents ($2.50) shall be returned to him.

RESOLVED, That out of the moneys received from the issue of such badges, the sum of Two Dollars and Fifty Cents for each badge shall be returned, said sum being a sum which, in the judgement of the Common Council will be sufficient to provide for the refunding of the sum to be returned upon the surrender of badges as hereinbefore provided; and that all moneys received from the issue of such Special Officer Badges, after providing for such sums so to be refunded, shall be paid to the Police

Pension Fund of the City, if any there be, and if there be no such pension fund in such City, then to the Treasurer of the City for the support of the Police Department thereof.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution designating the Plainfield Courier-News as the official newspaper:

Resolution Official Newspapers.

RESOLVED, That the Plainfield Courier-News, a newspaper published and circulating in the City of Plainfield be, and hereby is, designated as the Official Newspaper of the City for the year 1920.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That in every case in which any statute or any ordinance or special resolution of this Council, directs publication by advertisement in more than one newspaper, the Plainfield Record, being also a newspaper published and circulating in said city, shall be used for such additional publication.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution directing that Mr. Geo. S. Clay be employed to advise as to formalities attendant upon bond issues and sales:

Resolution Employ Geo. S. Clay to advise on bond issues

RESOLVED, That George S. Clay, Esq., be, and he hereby is, employed to advise as to formalities attendant upon the issue and sale of bonds for the City during the year 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN BOYD:

No report.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J. Carroll

City Clerk.

Monday Evening, January 5, 1920.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Graves and Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, Maynard and Mills. Absent Councilmen Condict, McDonough and Walsh.

In the absence of the Clerk, the President stated that the first business would be the election of a clerk pro tem.

G. Wean act Clerk pro tem

Councilman Ackerman moved Geo. B. Wean act as clerk. So ordered.

Minutes of meeting held Jan. 1st were read and approved.

Councilman McDonough came in while minutes were being read.

Suspend Rules

Councilman Ackerman moved regular order of business be suspended to hear Mrs. VanHoesen who is present. So ordered.

Stray animals

Mrs. VanHoesen, as a representative of the Society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, appeared and called the Council's attention to the menace to the public health from stray and unwanted animals.

Matter referred to Public Affairs Committee

The matter was referred to the Public Affairs Committee for investigation and report.

Councilman Ackerman moved Council return to regular order of business. So ordered.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Invitation G. A. R.

Invitation was received and read from the Winfield Scott Post, No. 73, G. A. R. to attend services of installation of officers for the year 1920 in the Council Chamber. On motion ordered filed.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER.

Mayor's Communication Frank J. Hubbard Bd. Education

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor advising that he had on this day (Jan. 5th), appointed Frank J. Hubbard as a member of the Board of Education for the term of five years from Feb. 1, 1920. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Mayor's Special Message No. 26.

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, being his special message No. 26, submitting draft of an

ordinance creating a "Street and Sewer Department", and recommending its adoption. Referred to the Streets and Sewers Committee.

Report of the Sinking Fund Commission for 1919 was presented, read and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

File Mayor's nomination

Reported back for filing the Mayor's nomination of F. J. Hubbard as a member of the Board of Education, and offered the following resolution confirming the same:

Resolution - Frank J. Hubbard Bd. of Education

RESOLVED, That the communication from his Honor, the Mayor, dated January 5, 1920, notifying the Common Council of the appointment of

FRANK J. HUBBARD

as a member of the Board of Education of the City of Plainfield, for the term of five years beginning February 1, 1920 and ending February 1, 1925 be, and the same hereby is ordered filed with the City Clerk; who is directed to forward a certified copy of same to said Board of Education.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

STREETS & SEWERS BY COUNCILMAN McDONOUGH:

File Mayor's message

Reported back for filing the Mayor's special message No. 26, and introduced an ordinancen entitled, "An Ordinance to establish, regulate and control a Street and Sewer Department in the City of Plainfield," which was read and is as follows:

Introduce Ordinance. Establish, regulate and control Street and Sewer Dept.

An Ordinance to establish, regulate and control a Street and Sewer Department in the City of Plainfield.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

1. A department is hereby created in the City of Plainfield which shall be known and designated as the Street and Sewer Department. Said Department shall always be under the ultimate control of the Common Council, but intermediately shall be subject to the orders of such committee of the Common Council as it may from time to time designate for that purpose. Until otherwise provided, such committee shall be the Committee on Streets and Sewers.

2. The duties of the officers and employees in said department shall be those prescribed by statute or ordinance, and by such rules or regulations as the Common Council may from time to time by resolution or ordinance adopt. The Common Council may by resolution from time to time provide for the employment and prescribe the duties of such clerical or other force in said department as may in its descretion be needed. The Common Council may impose duties upon any officer or employee in the department in addition to those prescribed in this ordinance.

3. The executive and responsible chief of said department shall be known and designated as the City Engineer, who shall be nominated and appointed by the Mayor by and with the advice and consent of the Common Council; and such office is hereby created. The term of said office shall be three years, the first term dating from January first, Nineteen Hundred and Twenty and ending on January first Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-three at noon, and each term succeeding that date shall be three years. In case the office becomes vacant during any term it shall be filled by like appointment but for the unexpired term only.

4. The office of Assistant City Engineer is also hereby created with like term beginning and ending at the same time as that hereinbefore provided in the case of the City Engineer and to be filled in the same way, both as to a regular term or any vacancy during a term. The Assistant City Engineer shall perform duties similar to those of the City Engineer but shall be second and subject to the City Engineer in authority, except that in the absence or disability of the City Engineer the Assistant City Engineer shall have and perform all the powers and duties of the City Engineer and when acting in that capacity shall be designated officially as Acting City Engineer.

5. The City Engineer, subject always to the orders of the committee designated as aforesaid and to the ultimate control of the Common Council, shall have full charge and management of, the Department and of the other officers and employees in said department, and of the property belonging or assigned thereto. He shall have charge of and be responsible for all street, sewer and other like work done by or for the City and for all engineering and surveying connected therewith. He shall keep accurate records and books of account of all his transactions as City Engineer and of the work and transactions of his office. He shall report in writing to the Common Council at its first stated

meeting in each month all moneys if any received or disbursed by him in his official capacity during the previous month and shall promptly pay to the City Treasurer any balance of such money in his hands. He shall also make such other reports as may from time to time be required of him by the designated committee aforesaid or by the Common Council.

6. The City Engineer shall be ex-officio Street Commissioner and also ex-officio Engineer in Charge of Sewers, and as such he shall have and perform all powers and duties granted or imposed by any statute, ordinance, resolution, contract or otherwise upon any Street Commissioner or Engineer in Charge of Sewers, or upon any former or other City Engineer or City Surveyor of the City of Plainfield.

7. The salary of the City Engineer shall be Five Thousand dollars and the salary of the Assistant City Engineer shall be Three thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, per annum, and shall be payable at said rates respectively during the time such officers hold office respectively, in equal semi-monthly installments. The salary shall in each case be in full payment for all services rendered by the official and any fees to which the official might otherwise be entitled shall be promptly paid to the City Treasurer. Each of said officials shall before entering upon the duties of his office make, execute and deliver his bond in the ordinary form in the penal sum of five thousand dollars, for the true and faithful performance of his duty. The surety on such bond may be any surety company approved by the Common Council as surety on bonds of contractors and the premiums thereon shall be paid by the City.

8. Neither the City Engineer nor the Assistant City Engineer shall accept any outside employment but each shall devote his working hours and his energies solely to the duties of his office, unless the Common Council shall by special resolution otherwise provide.

9. All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance, so far as inconsistent herewith, hereby repealed, and this ordinance shall take effect February first 1920.

Ado. Ordinance

Councilman McDonough moved the said ordinance be engrossed or typewritten and duly advertised. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

No report.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

No report.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN MILLS:

No report.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

LICENSE BY COUNCILMAN BOYD:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

No report.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN BOYD:

No report.

Adjourn

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

G. L. Dean

City Clerk pro tem.

Monday Evening, January 19, 1920.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Graves and Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills. Absent, Councilmen Boyd, Condict.

Clerk Pro tem

In the absence of the Clerk, the President stated that it would be necessary to elect a clerk pro tem.

Councilman Hull moved that Geo. B. Wean act as clerk. So ordered.

Minutes of regular meeting held January 5th were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Communication Board of Education appointing members Board of School Estimate

Communication was received from the Board of Education advising that at a meeting of said Board held Jan. 13, 1920, a resolution was adopted appointing Messrs. Archibald Cox and Albert A. Tilney as its members of the Board of School Estimate. Ordered received and filed.

Communication Bd. Chosen Freeholders regarding bridges over Cedar Brook.

Communication of Jan. 9th was received from the Board of Chosen Freeholders of Union County acknowledging receipt of copy of resolution adopted by this Council regarding bridges over Cedar Brook (not Green Brook as stated by Clerk King) with advice that the same had been referred to their County Engineer and members of the Board of Freeholders from Plainfield. Referred to the Street and Sewer Committee.

Communication Bd Recreation Comrs. (annual rpt)

Communication of Dec. 30, 1919 was received, thru the Mayor, from the Board of Recreation Commissioners, with report of the Treasurer of said Board for the year 1919, and also advising as to the activities of the Board during the year 1919. Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Petition James C. Hansen opening new street.

Petition from James C. Hansen and others for the opening of a new street through from Watchung Avenue to Somerset Street between Front Street and the City Line. Referred to the Street and Sewer Committee.

Petition C. G. DeCamp & Bds. Jr. O.U.A.M. in favor name of W. H. I. Cubberly as Councilman for First Ward

Petition from C. G. DeCamp and others, members of Franklin, Somerset and Plainfield Benevolent Councils of the Jr. O. U. A. M., requesting the Common Council to consider the name of W. H. I. Cubberly of No. 118 Washington Street as a member of the Council from the First Ward to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Councilman Walsh. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Petition East End Civic Assn. consider Willard W. James Councilman

Petition from the East End Civic Association for the election of Willard W. James, #218 Leland Avenue, as a

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member of the Common Council from the First Ward, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Councilman Walsh. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Petition L.V.F. Randolph et als. - consider Willard W. James as Councilman from First Ward.

Petition from L. V. F. Randolph and others for the election of Willard W. James as a member of the Common Council from the First Ward to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Councilman Walsh. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Petition A.H. Seals street light

Petition from A. H. Seals for a street light at the corner of Arlington Avenue and Randolph Road. Referred to the Street Lighting Committee.

Petition W.C. Dobbins sanitary sewer.

Petition from Walter C. Dobbins for a sanitary sewer in West End Avenue. Referred to the Street and Sewer Commite

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER.

Communication from Mayor transmitting resignation of Andrew J. Gavett as Street Commr and Engineer in charge of Sewers.

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, transmitting resignation of Andrew J. Gavett as Street Commissioner, and as Engineer in Charge of Sewers, dated Dec. 31, 1919, to take effect at the pleasure of the Council; also with letter from Mr. Gavett to the Mayor explaining his reasons for tendering his resignation, with copy of the Mayor's reply to Mr. Gavett of Jan. 3, 1920; all of which were read and referred to the Street and Sewer Committee.

Communication from Mayor submitting circular from City of Elizabeth re survey properties of Water Co.

Communication of Jan. 19th was received from his Honor, the Mayor, submitting a printed circular from the City of Elizabeth, dated Jan. 3, 1920, respecting a survey of the properties of the Water Company, the object being the ultimate purchase of the Water Company's properties by the municipalities. Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

File report of City Judge

Quarterly report of the City Judge for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1919, was read and ordered filed.

File Annual report City Judge

Annual report for the year 1919 of the City Judge was read and ordered filed.

File report Treasurer Police Pension Fund Association.

Report of the Treasurer of the Plainfield Fire Dept. Pension Fund Association for the six months ending Dec. 31, 1919, was read and ordered filed.

File supplemental debt statement

Supplemental debt statement of the Treasurer showing the net debt as of Jan. 19th, to be 4 1/2% of the average assessed valuation, was read and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Offered the following resolution appointing R. W. Gordon as stenographer to the Common Council and its committees:

Resolution appointing R. W. Gordon stenographer to Council

RESOLVED, That R. W. Gordon be, and he hereby is, employed by the month as Stenographer to the Common Council and Councilmanic Committees at the rate of Fifty Dollars ($50.00) per month, as and from January 6, 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $1000 for 1919 Permanent Street Improvement purposes:

Resolution borrow 000 for 1919 Permanent Street Imp. purposes.

RESOLVED, That One Thousand Dollars ($1000) be borrowed for 1919 Permanent Street Improvement Purposes (Ordinance adopted by the Common Council April 29, 1919) in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of One Thousand Dollars ($1000) at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY COUNCILMAN McDONOUGH:

Called up on second reading and final passage an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to establish, regulate and control a Street and Sewer Department in the City of Plainfield", which was read and is as follows:

cond Reading Ordinance to tablish, regulate d control Street d Sewer Dept

AN ORDINANCE to establish, regulate and control a Street and Sewer Department in the City of Plainfield.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

1. A department is hereby created in the City of Plainfield which shall be known and designated as the Street and Sewer Department. Said Department shall always be under the ulti-

mate control of the Common Council, but intermediately shall be subject to the orders of such committee of the Common Council as it may from time to time designate for that purpose. Until otherwise provided, such committee shall be the Committee on Streets and Sewers.

2. The duties of the officers and employees in said department shall be those prescribed by statute or ordinance, and by such rules or regulations as the Common Council may from time to time by resolution or ordinance adopt. The Common Council may by resolution from time to time provide for the employment and prescribe the duties of such clerical or other force in said department as may in its descretion be needed. The Common Council may impose duties upon any officer or employee in the department in addition to those prescribed in this ordinance.

3. The executive and responsible chief of said department shall be known and designated as the City Engineer, who shall be nominated and appointed by the Mayor by and with the advice and consent of the Common Council; and such office is hereby created. The term of said office shall be three years, the first term dating from January first, Nineteen Hundred and Twenty and ending on January first nineteen Hundred and Twenty-three at noon, and each term succeeding that date shall be three years. In case the office becomes vacant during any term it shall be filled by like appointment but for the unexpired term only.

4. The office of Assistant City Engineer is also hereby created with like term beginning and ending at the same time as that hereinbefore provided in the case of the City Engineer and to be filled in the same way, both as to a regular term or any vacancy during a term. The Assistant City Engineer shall perform duties similar to those of the City Engineer but shall be second and subject to the City Engineer in authority, except that in the absence or disability of the City Engineer the Assistant City Engineer shall have and perform all the powers and duties of the City Engineer and when acting in that capacity shall be designated officially as Acting City Engineer.

5. The City Engineer, subject always to the orders of the committee designated as aforesaid and to the ultimate control of the Common Council, shall have full charge and management of the Department and of the other officers and employees in said department, and of the property belonging or assigned thereto. He shall have charge of and be responsible for all street, sewer and other like

work done by or for the City and for all engineering and surveying connected therewith. He shall keep accurate records and books of account of all his transactions as City Engineer and of the work and transactions of his office. He shall report in writing to the Common Council at its first stated meeting in each month all moneys if any received or disbursed by him in his official capacity during the previous month and shall promptly pay to the City Treasurer any balance of such money in his hands. He shall also make such other reports as may from time to time be required of him by the designated committee aforesaid or by the Common Council.

6. The City Engineer shall be ex-officio Street Commissioner and also ex-officio Engineer in Charge of Sewers, and as such he shall have and perform all powers and duties granted or imposed by any statute, ordinance, resolution, contract or otherwise upon any Street Commissioner or Engineer in Charge of Sewers, or upon any former or other City Engineer or City Surveyor of the City of Plainfield.

7. The salary of the City Engineer shall be Five thousand dollars and the salary of the Assistant City Engineer shall be Three thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, per annum, and shall be payable at said rates respectively during the time such officers hold office respectively, in equal semi-monthly installments. The salary shall in each case be in full payment for all services rendered by the official and any fees to which the official might otherwise be entitled shall be promptly paid to the City Treasurer. Each of said officials shall before entering upon the duties of his office make, execute and deliver his bond in the ordinary form in the penal sum of five thousand dollars, for the true and faithful performance of his duty. The surety on such bond may be any surety company approved by the Common Council as surety on bonds of contractors and the premiums thereon shall be paid by the City.

8. Neither the City Engineer nor the Assistant City Engineer shall accept any outside employment but each shall devote his working hours and his energies solely to the duties of his office, unless the Common Council shall by special resolution otherwise provide.

9. All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are, so far as inconsistent herewith, hereby repealed, and this ordinance shall take effect February first, 1920.

Adoption of Ordinance

Councilman McDonough moved adoption of said ordinance on second reading and final adoption. So ordered

upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

File Mayor's communication

Reported back for filing the Mayor's communication, with resignation of Andrew J. Gavett, and offered the following resolution accepting said resignations:

Resolution accept resignation of Andrew J. Gavett

WHEREAS under date of December 31, 1919, Mr. Andrew J. Gavett for many years Street Commissioner and Engineer in Charge of Sewers tendered his resignation to take effect at the pleasure of the Common Council, explaining his reasons therefor in a letter to his Honor, the Mayor, dated December 31, 1919; NOW, THEREFORE

RESOLVED, that said resignations be, and the same hereby are, accepted to take effect on February 2, 1920; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Common Council hereby expresses its deep appreciation of the services rendered by Mr. Gavett for so many years, and directs that there be spread at length upon the minutes of this meeting a copy of his letter to the Mayor, dated December 31, 1919, and copy of the Mayor's reply dated January 3, 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills, and President Graves.

December 31, 1919.

Hon. Leighton Calkins
Plainfield, N. J.

Letter from Mr. Gavett to Mayor explaining reasons for resignation

My dear Mayor:-

Referring again to our recent conversation, I beg to repeat that in my judgment the work of the Street Department and of the Sewer Department has grown to so great an extent both in volume and importance that the best interests of the City would be served by a reorganization combining the two and by putting the combined departments in charge of some capable and energetic City Engineer. The work and responsibilities of such an office are greater than I personally would care to assume at my time of life, though I would not be unwilling to help out in some less responsible position if that is desired. I deeply appreciate the courtesy and friendship of all City officials and others with whom I have had the pleasure of association during my long connection with the City government, and my present suggestion is made in the friendliest spirit and results solely from my conviction that the best interests of the City would be served.

I therefore enclose my resignation as Street Commissioner and as Engineer in Charge of Sewers, to be accepted at the pleasure of the Common Council, and with best wishes, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

ANDREW J. GAVETT

communication from Mayor to Mr. Gavett

January 3, 1920.

Mr. Andrew J. Gavett
Street Commissioner
Plainfield, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Gavett:

I have yours of December 31st in which you state your conviction that on account of the increasing amount and importance of the work, the street and sewer departments should be combined under the direction of a capable engineer.

I can understand your wish to be relieved of the added work and responsibilities of such an office, but sincerely hope that you will be persuaded to continue in the new department, if created, as the city can ill afford to loose the benefit of your experience during so long a period of years.

As we have talked the whole matter over and I am in accord with your views as to what should be done to better the organization and to increase the efficiency of the department, I shall recommend to the Common Council at its next meeting the adoption of an ordinance for that purpose.

May I express to you personally my deep sense of appreciation of the splendid work you have done during your long term of service, mindful always of the common welfare and ever faithful in the conduct of the onerous work of your office. It is quite safe for me to say that there is not a resident of Plainfield who will not share this opinion. As a conscientious official devoted to the best interests of the city you have set an example which it will be difficult for public servants to follow, but it will light the way along which they go in the discharge of their duties and encourage them to put forth their best efforts always.

Sincerely yours,

LEIGHTON CALKINS
Mayor.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

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FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Presented the following report which was read and ordered filed:

January 19, 1920.

To the Honorable the Common Council
of the City of Plainfield.

Gentlemen:

Report from Chairman Fire & Building Committee

The Committee on Fire & Buildings begs to report that on January 1st, 1920 they directed that Mr. Edward H. Weaver be placed on probationary duty in the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield at the pleasure of the Common Council for a period not exceeding six months as provided by "An Ordinance to Establish, Regulate and Control the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield", approved by the Mayor December 7, 1917, and this Committee recommends that their action in so directing the employment of said Edward H. Weaver be approved and ratified by this Council.

Yours truly,

P. J. McDONOUGH
Chairman Fire & Buildings Committee

Offered the following resolution confirming action of the Committee in placing Edward H. Weaver on probationary service:

Resolution - Edward H. Weaver Trialman

RESOLVED, That the action of the Committee on Fire & Buildings in placing Mr. Edward H. Weaver on probationary duty in the Fire Department in the City of Plainfield on January 1st, 1920 be, and the same hereby is, approved and ratified.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution for telephone at #202 West Second Street:

Resolution Install telephone residence Asst. Chief Engineer Fire Dept.

WHEREAS, it is desired that the Assistant Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be furnished telephone service at his residence,

BE IT RESOLVED that the New York Telephone Co. be requested to install its regular individual line, flat rate residence service at 202 West Second Street at the regular tariff rate, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be and is hereby empowered to sign the Company's regular application form for such service.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN MILLS:

No report.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

Offered the following resolution increasing the salary of the Superintendent and Matrol of the Industrial Home:

Resolution increasing salary Supt. & Matron of Industrial Home

RESOLVED, That the salary of the Superintendent and Matron ofthe Industrial Home be, and the same hereby is, fixed at One Thousand Dollars ($1000.00) per annum, the same to date from January 1st, 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY COUNCILMAN MILLS:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution on the death of Councilman Walsh:

Resolution on death of Councilman Walsh

> WHEREAS:- It is with profound regret that we record the death of Edward T. Walsh, an honored member of the Council from the First Ward,
>
> NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:- That in the death of Mr. Walsh the City has lost a valuable and respected citizen, who was willing to give of his time and strength to the welfare of the people, and be it
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> FURTHER RESOLVED:- That this resolution be spread in full on the minutes of this meeting and that a copy thereof, with expressions of deep sympathy, be communicated to his family.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Notice that widening Park Ave is under consideration

Councilman McDonough, Acting Chairman of the Street Committee, gave notice that the widening of Park Avenue is under consideration, so that property owners on the westerly side of this street will not proceed with any proposed improvements; that the Committee hopes to bring the matter definitely before the Council at the next meeting, or as early as possible thereafter.

Communicate with Mr. Rosenbaum to hold up work on building

Councilman Force moved that the City Clerk communicate with the Corporation Counsel, and if in his opinion it is proper to do so, to communicate with Mr. Rosenbaum to hold up on their work. So ordered.

AUDITING BY COUNCILMAN MILLS:

Reported all claims presented as correct and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

Resolution Pay Claims

> RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:
>
> Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of Officials and General Office Employees for the 1st half of January, 1920, amounting to 544.99
>
> Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 1st half of January 1920, amounting to 220.42
>
> Claims appearing on the Tax Department Appropriation Account dated January 19, 1920, amounting to 884.75

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 1st half of January, 1920, amounting to	70.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 1st half of January, 1920, amounting to	120.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Department for the 1st half of January, 1920, amounting to	45.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 1st half of January, 1920, amounting to	1,497.06
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 1st half of January 1920, amounting to	314.81
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 1st half of January, 1920, amounting to	1,418.37
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 1st half of January, 1920, amounting to	1,892.91
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 1st half of January, 1920, amounting to	144.32
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 1st half of January, 1920, amounting to	50.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Snow and Ice A Account 1919-1920, for the 1st half of January, 1920, amounting to	105.03
Total	$ 7,310.16

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Councilman Ackerman moved that a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. Wean for his services at this meeting and at the meeting held January 5th. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

City Clerk pro tem.

Friday Evening, January 30, 1920.

Special Meeting

Special meeting of the Common Council held this evening. Present, President Graves and Councilmen Ackerman, Lovell, McDonough, Mills and Maynard. Absent Councilmen Boyd, Force, Condict and Hull.

Councilman Force came in at this time.

The clerk read the request of the President, that a Special Meeting be called for Friday, January 30, 1920, at 8 o'clock P.M., and the Call as issued by the Clerk to each member of the Council that a special meeting be held January 30, which Request and Call are as follows:

January 26, 1920.

Mr. J. J. Carroll
City Clerk
Plainfield, N. J.

Request

Dear Sir:-

Please call a Special Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield for Friday, January 30th, 1920 for the purpose of considering and acting upon the tax budget for the year 1920.

Yours truly,

CHARLES C. GRAVES
President.

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January 26, 1920

Dear Sir:-

Call

Pursuant to the written request of the President, a Special Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield will be held at the Council Chamber, City Hall, Plainfield, N. J. at 8 o'clock P,M. Friday, the 30st day of January, 1920 for the purpose of taking such action as may be necessary in regard to the approval of the tax budget for the year 1920.

Yours truly,

JOHN J. CARROLL
City Clerk

Councilman Ackerman offered the following resolution

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approving Tax Budget for 1920:

Resolution Approve Budget

RESOLVED, That the following be and is hereby proposed and approved as the Local Budget, to be adopted by the Common Council of the Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield for the fiscal year thereof beginning January 1st, 1920, viz:

MUNICIPAL BUDGET -- 1920

Surplus Revenue Account - $190,000.00

	1920	1919
1. Surplus Revenue appropriated	85000.00	50000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue		
2. Licenses - Liquor		12900.00
3. " Other	4900.00	4000.00
4. Permits - Sewer	230.00	100.00
5. Fees - Tax Search	450.00	300.00
6. " Other	485.00	500.00
7. Fines -Police Court	2500.00	3000.00
8. " Health Department	700.00	400.00
9. " Other	950.00	1500.00
10. Interest	10000.00	10500.00
11. Franchise Tax	27000.00	17000.00
12. Poll Tax	3500.00	3500.00
Dog Tax (included in other licenses)		
13. Utility Corporation Gross Receipt Tax	21000.00	10000.00
14. 5% Street Railway Receipts	9500.00	8400.00
15. Assessments applicable to Bonds and Interest	15715.00	
16. Shade Trees, Streets, Sewers, Jitneys, Poor Farm and Sundry Receipts	4000.00	6000.00
Amount to be raised by Taxation	412010.00	336726.00
	$597940.00	$464826.00

	1920 Appropriations	1919 Appropriati
1. Streets & Sewers Department	120340.00	101500.00
2. Police	58472.00	40000.00
3. Board of Health	15000.00	12600.00
4. City's Share of Improvements	30000.00	2500.00
5. Audit of City Books and Accounts	1150.00	850.00
6. Hospital	7500.00	5000.00
7. Publishing and Advertising	3000.00	2000.00
8. District Court	4156.00	3325.00
9. Rent		600.00
10. Contingent Expenses	10000.00	12000.00
11. Police Pension Fund	3000.00	2500.00
12. Insurance Premiums		325.00
13. Memorial Day	150.00	100.00
14. Tax Department	9800.00	9800.00
15. Building Inspector's Department	1550.00	1300.00
16. City Court	1850.00	1850.00

	1920 Appropriations	1919 Appropriations
17. Salaries and Bonuses	17700.00	14330.00
18. Purchase City Storage Yard		8500.00
19. Interest on School Bonds	34115.00	27655.00
20. Interest on Sewer Bonds	34612.50	24288.00
21. Interest on Police Station Bonds	573.75	642.00
22. Interest on City Hall Bonds	10000.00	
23. Interest on Street Improvement Bonds	6390.00	7275.00
24. Interest on Fire Apparatus Bonds	300.00	350.00
25. Interest on Steam Roller Bonds	127.50	140.00
26. Notes due (Interest Deficiency)	100.00	2971.00
27. Interest on Notes	8200.25	3000.00
28. Principal on School Bonds	6000.00	6000.00
29. Principal on Sewer Bonds	11000.00	11000.00
30. Principal on Police Station Bonds	1500.00	1500.00
31. Principal on Street Improvement Bonds	13000.00	13000.00
32. Principal on Fire Apparatus Bonds	1000.00	1000.00
33. Sinking Fund	16310.00	32275.00
33A Principal Steam Roller Bonds	500.00	
34. Public Library	12000.00	12000.00
35. Fire Department	111240.00	66000.00
36. Play Ground Commision	1000.00	500.00
37. Shade Tree Commission	2700.00	2400.00
38. Street Lighting	20500.00	20500.00
39. City Poor Fund	16303.00	13250.00
40. Research and Advisory Commission	1000.00	
41. Street Improvement Litigation	2500.00	
42. Liquor License Rebate	1800.00	
43. Memorial Tablet	1000.00	
44. Dental Clinic	500.00	
	$597940.00	$ 464826.00

RESOLVED FURTHER, That February 9, 1920 at 8 P.M. is hereby fixed as the time and the Council Chambers, City Hall, Plainfield, N. J. as the Place, when and where objections thereto may be presented by any taxpayers of the City of Plainfield and that notice hereof and thereof be given by publication of a copy of these resolutions at least twice in at least one, to wit: in the Official Newspaper circulation in said City, the first publication to be on January 31, 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Coun-

cilmen Ackerman, Force, Lovell, McDonough, Mayhard, Mills and President Graves.

On motion the meeting then adjourned.

John J Carroll

City Clerk.

Monday Evening, Feb. 2, 1920.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Graves and Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills. Absent, Councilmen Boyd, Condict and Hull.

Minutes of regular meeting held January 19th, were read and approved.

Minutes of special meeting held January 30th, were read and approved.

Rules of Order 1920

The Clerk called attention to the new Rules of Order for 1920.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Communication Mrs. Sharkey permit move building

Communication was received from Mrs. Catherine Sharkey, requesting permit to move a one-story frame building, now located on north-west corner of Richmond Street and East Third Street, to 549 East Third Street. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Communication Emil Beggs refund taxes

Communication from Emil Beggs, requesting refund of taxes on house on Columbia Avenue; claim being made for $38.53 account of assessment being made on one house too many, less $17.70 due for taxes on houses at 1205 and 1207 Columbia Avenue. Referred to Finance Committee.

Communication Mrs. Ethel D. Walsh

Communication was received from Mrs. Ethel D. Walsh and family, acknowledging receipt of floral offering sent by the Council in their late bereavement. Ordered filed.

Communication Monday afternoon Club.

Communication from Monday Afternoon Club, advising of resolution passed by their Club, endorsing enlarged program of recreation for Plainfield. Ordered filed.

Communication E. T. Fingerhuf install gas. tank

Communication from E. T. Fingerhuf, 208 Watchung Avenue, Plainfield, requesting privilege or permit to install a 500 gal. gasoline tank for service station. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Petition Stephen Cosetta

Petition from Stephen Cosetta and others demanding the macadamizing of Watson Avenue and installation of curbing in accordance with specifications. Referred to Street Committee.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:

Mayor's Comm. appointing Alex. Vars

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, appointing Alexander W. Vars as City Engineer of Plainfield to serve for a term of three years beginning January 1, 1920 and ending January 1, 1923 at noon. Referred to the Finance Committee.

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Communication Mayor, appointing Andrew J. Gavett

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor appointing Andrew J. Gavett as Assistant City Engineer of Plainfield for a term of three years, beginning January 1, 1920 and ending January 1, 1923 at noon. Referred to the Finance Committee.

File report City Treasurer.

Report of Treasurer for month of January, 1920, was read and ordered filed.

File report Overseer of Poor

Report of Overseer of Poor for Month of January, 192 was read and ordered filed.

File Supplemental Debt Statement

Supplemental Debt Statement of the Treasurer showing the net debt of the City to be, as of Feb. 2, 1920, 3 6/10% of the average assessed valuation.

File report Building Inspector

Report of the Building Inspector for month of January, 1920, was read and ordered filed.

File report City Clerk

Report of the City Clerk for month of January, 1920, was read and ordered filed.

File report Tax Collector

Report of Tax Collector for month of January, 1920, was read and ordered filed.

File annual report Committee on Streets

The annual report of Committee on Streets for year 1919, was read and ordered filed.

File annual report Committee on Sewers.

Annual report of the Committee on Sewers for year 1919, was read and ordered filed.

File annual report Shade Tree Commission

Annual report of Shade Tree Commission for year 1919, was read and ordered filed.

File annual report Police Department

Annual report of Police Department for 1919, was read and ordered filed.

File annual report Fire Department

Annual report of Fire Department for 1919, was read and ordered filed.

File annual report Alms Committee

Annual report of Alms Committee for 1919, was read and ordered filed.

File annual report Bldg. Inspector

Annual report of Building Inspector for 1919, was read and ordered filed,-the petition therein to be taken up with the Fire and Buildings Committee.

File annual report Treasurer

Annual report of the Treasurer for 1919, was read and ordered filed.

File annual debt statement

Annual Debt Statement of Treasurer, for 1919, shows the percentage of net debt in connection with assessed valuations to be 3-3/10%. Ordered filed.

File annual report Bd. of Health.

Annual report of the Board of Health for 1919, was read and ordered filed.

Recess

Mr. Ackerman requested a ten minute recess for conference with Clerk Carroll and Treasurer Crone, regarding ordinance to be submitted later, and on motion, duly seconded, and all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves, the President declared a ten minute recess accordingly.

Recess

Meeting then reconvened, and on roll call, the following members responded: Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

File Mayor's nomination

Reported back nomination of Alexander W. Vars as City Engineer and offered the following resolution confirming said appointment:

Resolution
Alex W. Vars
City Engineer

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

ALEXANDER W. VARS

as City Engineer of the City of Plainfield for a term of three years beginning January 1, 1920 and ending January 1, 1923, at noon.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

File Mayor's nomination

Reported back nomination of Andrew J. Gavett as Assistant City Engineer and offered the following resolution confirming said appointment:

Resolution
Andrew J. Gavett
Asst City Engr.

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

ANDREW J. GAVETT

as Assistant City Engineer of the City of Plainfield for a term of three years beginning January 1, 1920 and ending January 1, 1923 at noon.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

File petition
L. V. F. Randolph
East End
Civic Assn.
appointment
Willard W. James

Reported back petition signed by L. V. F. Randolph and others, requesting the election of Willard W. James as Councilman from the First Ward to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Edward T. Walsh and offered the following resolution confirming the election:

Resolution Elect Willard W. James Councilman, First Ward

RESOLVED, That Willard W. James be, and he hereby is, elected Councilman from the First Ward to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Edward T. Walsh.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Lovell, Force, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution for transfer of $100,000.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account to the Reserve Surplus Account:

Resolution Transfer $100,000. Surplus Revenue Acct. to Reserve Surplus Acct.

RESOLVED, That in accordance with Section 8 of Chapter 192 of the Laws of 1917 New Jersey, $100,000.00 be transferred from the Surplus Revenue Account to the Reserve Surplus Account.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution covering the borrowing of $100,000.00 from the Reserve Surplus Account for the purpose of financing the expenditures under appropriations made in the 1920 budget:

Resolution borrow $100,000 from Reserve Surplus Acct. for financing expenditures

RESOLVED, That $100,000. be borrowed from the Reserve Surplus Account for the purpose of financing the expenditures under appropriations made in the budget for 1920; and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute in the name of the City note therefor payable on demand without interest.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Lovell, Force, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution relating to City Hall and Sewer Bonds, i.e., $200,000. account City Hall and $216,000 account Sewers:

Resolution Sewer & City Hall bonds.

WHEREAS, on the first day of December, 1919, the Common Council adopted an ordinance for the issuance of $216,000 Negotiable Sewer Bonds of the City, to pay the City share of the cost of certain sanitary and surface drainage sewers, which ordinance was approved by the Mayor on the 4th day of December, 1919; and

WHEREAS, said ordinance, together with the statement required by Section 2, subdivision 1-d of Chapter 252, P.L. 1916, as amended, was duly published in the Courier-News on the 11th day of December, 1919, and no suit, action or proceeding whatsoever has been begun touching or concerning said ordinance, or the bonds to be issued thereunder, and no protest or protests against said improvement or the incurring of indebtedness authorized by said ordinance has been filed in the office of the City Clerk at any time after the publication of such ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council on the 15th day of December, 1919, adopted an ordinance for the issuance of $200,000 Negotiable City Hall Bonds of the City, which ordinance was approved by the Mayor on December 17th, 1919; and

WHEREAS, said ordinance, together with the statement required by Section 2, subdivision 1-d of Chapter 252, P.L. 1916, as amended, was duly published in the Courier-News.on the 18th day of December, 1919, and no suit, action or proceeding whatsoever has been begun touching or concerning said ordinance adopted December 15, 1919, or the bonds to be issued thereunder, and no protest or protests against said improvement, or the incurring of indebtedness authorized by said ordinance adopted December 15, 1919, has been filed in the office of the City Clerk at any time after the publication of said ordinance adopted December 15, 1919; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to authorize and direct the sale of bonds and to fix the form thereof;

RESOLVED, that there be issued Two Hundred and Sixteen Thousand Dollars ($216,000) Sewer Bonds of the City of Plainfield, of the denomination of One Thousand Dollars ($1,000) each, numbered from one (1) to two hundred and sixteen (216) both inclusive, dated December 1, 1919, bearing interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually June 1 and December 1, and maturing in numerical order six bonds on the first day of December in each of the years 1920 to 1955 both inclusive;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that there be issued Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000) City Hall Bonds of the City of Plainfield, of the denomination of One Thousand Dollars ($1,000) each, numbered from one (1) to two hundred (200) both inclusive, dated December 1, 1919, bearing interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually June 1 and December 1, and maturing in numerical order five bonds on the first day of December in each of the years 1921 to 1948 both inclusive, and six bonds onDecember 1 in each of the years 1949 to 1958 both inclusive;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Sewer Bonds and City Hall Bonds shall be signed by the Mayor and sealed with the corporate seal of the City, attested by the City Clerk, and that the coupons shall be signed with the lithographed or engraved facsimile signature of the City Treasurer, and that said Sewer Bonds shall be issued in substantially the following form, to-wit:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
CITY OF PLAINFIELD
SEWER BOND

No.___ $1,000.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That the Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, a municipal corporation in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, for value received, hereby acknowledges its indebtedness, and promises to pay to bearer, or if this bond be registered, to the registered holder hereof, on the first day of December, 19__, the sum of One Thousand Dollars ($1,000) with interest thereon from the date hereof at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the 1r days of June and December of each year on presentation and surrender of the interest coupons hereto annexed, as they severally become due, or if this bond be converted into a registered bond to the registered holder hereof.

This bond may be registered as to principal by the owner in his name on the books of said City, kept in the office of the City Treasurer, and such registration shall be noted hereon after which no valid transfer hereof shall be made except upon said books until after registered transfer to bearer. Such registration shall not effect the negotiability of the coupons which shall pass by delivery. At the request of the holder, this bond will be converted into a registered bond and the coupons annexed hereto detached and canceled and thereafter both principal and interest shall be payable to the registered holder hereof.

Both principal and interest of this bond are payable in gold coin of the United States of America of the present standard weight and fineness, or its equivalent at the office of the City Treasurer in the City of Plainfield, New Jersey.

This bond is one of a series of two hundred and sixteen bonds, numbered from one to two hundred and sixteen, both inclusive, aggregating the sum of Two Hundred and Sixteen Thousand Dollars, of like date and tenor, except as to number and maturity, and is issued for the purpose of paying the City share of the cost of certain sanitary and surface drainage sewers in said City, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution and statutes of the State of New Jersey, including among others Chapter 252 of the Laws of the State of New Jersey, 1916, entitled "An Act to authorize and regulate the issuance of bonds and other obligations, and the incurring

of indebtedness by county, city, borough, village, town, township, or any municipality governed by an improvement commission", and acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, and under and by virtue of ordinances and proceedings of the Common Council of said City duly passed and taken.

It is hereby certified, recited and declared that all acts, conditions and things required to be done, exist, happen and be performed precedent to and in the issuance of this bond, have been done, existed, happened and been performed in regular and due form and manner as required by law, and that this bond together with all the other indebtedness of said City does not exceed any limitation of indebtedness of said City prescribed by the Constitution or statutes of said State, and that the full faith and credit of the Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield are irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal and interest of this bond according to its terms.

In Witness Whereof, the said Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield has caused these presents to be signed by its Mayor and its City Clerk and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed, and the coupons hereto annexed to be signed with the engraved or lithographed fac-simile signature of its City Treasurer and this bond to be dated as of the first day of December, 1919.

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Attest: Mayor

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City Clerk.

(COUPON)

No.___ $25.00

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, New Jersey, will pay to the bearer on the surrender of this coupon, on the first day of ~~December~~ June, 19__, Twenty-five Dollars ($25.00) in gold coin of the United States of America of the present standard weight and fineness, or its equivalent at the office of the City Treasurer, in said City, being six months interest then due on its Sewer Bond, dated December 1, 1919, No.___.

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City Treasurer.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the said City Hall Bonds be issued in substantially the following form, to-wit:

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
CITY OF PLAINFIELD
CITY HALL BOND

No.___ $1,000.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That the Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, a municipal corporation in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, for value received, hereby acknowledges its indebtedness, and promises to pay to bearer, or if this be registered, to the registered holder hereof, on the first day of December, 19__, the sum of One Thousand Dollars ($1,000), with interest thereon from the date hereof at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of June and December of each year on presentation and surrender of the interest coupons hereto annexed, as they severally become due, or if this bond be converted into a registered bond to the registere holder hereof.

This bond may be registered as to principal by the owner in his name on the books of said City, kept in the office of the City Treasurer, and such registration shall be noted hereon after which no valid transfer hereof shall be made except upon said books until after registered transfer to bearer. Such registration shall not affect the negotiability of the coupons which shall pass by delivery. At the request of the holder, this bond will be converted into a registered bond and the coupons annexed hereto detached and canceled and thereafter both principal and interest shall be payable to the registered holder hereof.

Both principal and interest of this bond are payable in gold coin of the United States of America of the present standard weight and fineness, or its equivalent at the office of the City Treasurer in the City of Plainfield, New Jersey.

This bond is one of a series of two hundred bonds, numbered from one to two hundred, both inclusive, and aggregating the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars, of like date and tenor, except as to number and maturity, and is issued for the purpose of paying the cost of a site for a City Hall and the construction of a City Hall building on said site in said City, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution and statutes of the State of New Jersey, including among others Chapter 252 of the Laws of the State of New Jersey, 1916, entitled "An Act to authorize and regulate the issuance of bonds and other obligations, and the incurring of indebtedness by county, city, borough, village, town, township, or any municipality governed by an improvement commission", and acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, and under and by virtue of ordinances and proceedings of the Common Council of said City duly passed and taken.

It is hereby certified, recited and declared that all acts, conditions and things required to be done, exist, happen and be performed precedent to and in the issuance of this bond, have been done, existed, happened and been per-

formed in regular and due form and manner as required by law, and that this bond together with all the other indebtedness of said City does not exceed any limitation of indebtedness of said City prescribed by the Constitution or statutes of said State, and that the full faith and credit of the Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield are irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal and interest of this bond according to its terms.

In Witness Whereof, the said Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield has caused these presents to be signed by its Mayor and its City Clerk and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed, and the coupons hereto annexed to be signed with the engraved or lithographed fac-simile signature of its City Treasurer and this bond to be dated as of the first day of December, 1919.

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Attest: Mayor

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City Clerk

(COUPON)

No.____ $25.00

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, New Jersey, will pay to the bearer on the surrender of this coupon, on the first day of June December, 19__, Twenty-five Dollars ($25.00) in gold coin of the United States of America of the present standard weight and fineness, or its equivalent at the office of the City Treasurer, in said City, being six months' interest then due on its City Hall Bond, dated December 1, 1919, No.___

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City Treasurer

FURTHER RESOLVED, that there shall be endorsed on each of said Sewer and City Hall Bonds, the following conversion certificate:

(CONVERSION CERTIFICATE)

I hereby certify that at the request of the holder of the within bond for its conversion into a registered hold, I have this day cut off and destroyed _____ coupons attached to said bonds numbered from one to _____, inclusive, of the

amount and value of $_____ each, amounting in the aggregate to $_____, and that the within bond is hereby converted into a registered bond with the principal thereof and semi-annual interest thereon payable to _____ assignee or legal representative.

Dated _____,19__,

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City Treasurer.

Date of Registration:	Name of Registered Holder:	City Treasurer:
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and he hereby is directed to cause to be published a notice that sealed proposals will be received on the first day of March, 1920, at 8:30 P.M. for the purchase of said $216,000 Sewer Bonds and $200,000 City Hall Bonds. Such notice to be published two times in the Courier-News, a newspaper published in the City of Plainfield, N. J., and one time in the Bond Buyer, a financial paper published in New York City, New York. The first publication in each of said newspapers to be at least ten days prior to the first day of March, 1920, and that the form of such notice shall be substantially as follows:

$416,000
CITY OF PLAINFIELD
NEW JERSEY
$216,000 Sewer Bonds
$200,000 City Hall Bonds

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on the first day of March, 1920, at 8:30 P.M., at the Council Chamber No. 515 Watchung Avenue, in the City of Plainfield, New Jersey, the Common Council of said City will receive sealed bids for the purchase, at not less than par and accrued interest, of one or both of the following bond issues of the City of Plainfield, to-wit:

1. Not exceeding $216,000 par value of Sewer Bonds, of the denomination of $1,000 each, dated December 1, 1919, numbered from 1 to 216 inclusive, and maturing in numerical order six bonds on the first day of December in each of the years 1920 to 1955 both inclusive. The amount necessary to be raised by this issue is $216,000.

2. Not exceeding $200,000 par value of City Hall Bonds, of the denomination of $1,000 each, dated December 1, 1919, numbered from 1 to 200 inclusive, and maturing in numerical order five bonds on the first day of December in each of the years 1921 to 1948 both inclusive, and six bonds on December 1 in each of the years 1949 to 1958 both inclusive. The amount necessary to be raised by this issue is $200,000.

No more bonds of either issue will be sold than will produce the amount necessary to be raised thereby, as above stated, and an additional sum of less than $1,000. If less than the maximum authorized amount of any issue is sold the unsold bonds of the issue will be those last maturing.

Each issue will, unless all bids therefor are rejected, be sold to the bidder or bidders complying with the terms of sale and offering to pay not less than the amount necessary to be raised by such issue, and to take therefor the least amount of bonds of such issue offered for sale commencing with the first maturity, and if two or more bidders offer to take the same amount of bonds of the same issue, then such bonds will be sold to the bidder or bidders offering to pay therefor the highest additional price, such additional price being less than $1,000. In addition to the price bid the purchaser must pay accrued interest on the bonds to the date of delivery. Any bidder may condition his bid on the award to him of both of said issues, but in that case if there is a more favorable bidder for either one of the issues for which he bids, his bid will be rejected.

The right is reserved to reject all bids and any bid not complying with the provisions hereof will be rejected.

All bidders are required to deposit a certified check payable to the order of the City Treasurer for two per cent. of the face amount of the bonds bid for, drawn upon an incorporated bank or trust company, to secure the city against any loss resulting from the failure of the bidder to comply with the terms of his bid. Checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned upon the award of the bonds.

Proposals should be enclosed in a sealed envelope, addressed to John J. Carroll, City Clerk, Plainfield, New Jersey, marked on the outside "Proposal for bonds".

All of said bonds will bear interest at the

rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually June 1 and December 1. Both principal and interest will be payable at the office of the City Treasurer in the City of Plainfield, New Jersey, in gold coin of the United States of America of the present standard weight and fineness, or its equivalent, and said bonds will be coupon bonds registerable at the option of the holder as to principal only, or as to both principal and interest.

The bonds will be prepared and certified as to genuineness by the United States Mortgate and Trust Company of New York City, and said bonds will be delivered and must be accepted and paid for by the purchaser, at the office of the Plainfield City Treasurer, on or before March 15th, 1920 at two o'clock P.M., unless a subsequent date shall be mutually agreed upon between the purchaser and the City Treasurer.

The validity of the bonds will be approved by George S. Clay, Esq., Attorney, of New York City, a duplicate original of whose opinion will be furnished to the purchaser.

By order of the Common Council.

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City Clerk

Dated _____, 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

File Communication Bd. of Recreation Comm's

Reported back for filing communication from J. F. Zerega, Chairman Board of Recreation Commissioners regarding amount requested for 1920 work.

Adjourn

Moved that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet Feb. 9, 1920. This motion was unanimously carried.

STREETS & SEWERS BY COUNCILMAN McDONOUGH:

Offered the following resolution covering employment of Amos Clark as Engineering Assistant in the Street and Sewer Department:

Resolution Employ Amos Clark Engineering Assistant

RESOLVED, That Amos Clark be, and he hereby is, employed by the month as Engineering Assistant in the Street and Sewer Department at the rate of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars ($150,00) per month.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution covering employment of David Carmichael as Engineering Assistant in the Street and Sewer Department:

Resolution imply. David Carmichael Engineering Asst.

RESOLVED, That David Carmichael be, and he hereby is, employed by the month as Engineering Assistant in the Street and Sewer Department at the rate of Eighty Dollars ($80.00) per month.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported bills correct. Referred to Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

Offered the following resolution requesting the Research and Advisory Commission to make report, with recommendations, covering the Ash and Garbage Disposal question by the first of April:

Resolution requesting Research and Advisory Commission to make report on Ash and Garbage question

WHEREAS, by resolution of the Common Council on April 21, 1919 the Ash and Garbage Disposal question was referred to the Research and Advisory Commission for investigation and a report; and his Honor, the Mayor, in his annual message on January 1, 1920, spoke of the solution of the question as a matter of urgent necessity and recommended that the Commission be requested to conclude its study of the sugject and report its recommendation if possible by the first of April, and that a budget appro-

priation be made to enable it to get expert advice if necessary.

NOW THEREFORE, RESOLVED, That the Research and Advisory Commission be, and it hereby is, requested to report its recommendations if possible by the first of April and if not, at as early a date as possible; and the Finance Committee of the Common Council is requested to give consideration to the recommendation for an appropriation in the budget to facilitate the investigation of the Commission.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution covering recommendation of the Research and Advisory Commission recommending purchase of property bounded by Watchung Avenue, East Front Street, Elm Place and Green Brook (not including property of the First Presbyterian Church) for park purposes:

Resolution covering recommendations Research and Advisory Commission purchase of property for park.

WHEREAS, The Public Affairs Committee did on July 21, 1919 report to the Common Council that the Research and Advisory Commission, to whom was referred the matter of public parks, had recommended that the property bounded by Watchung Avenue, East Front Street, Elm Place and Green Brook (not including the property of the First Presbyterian Church) be secured for park purposes; and

WHEREAS the Public Affairs Committee approved the recommendations of the Research and Advisory Commission in regard to acquiring the property above mentioned; and

WHEREAS The Common Council did by resolution on this said 21st day of July 1919 state it to be the sense of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield that the location mentioned is most desirable for a public park if investigation shows that the brook can be made to supply sufficient water for a small lake and provided further the Common Council can be assured of the co-operation of North Plainfield in the enterprise to the extent that they will acquire property on their side of the brook to correspond with the area that Plainfield would have to acquire on its side; and

WHEREAS a copy of the resolution so adopted by the Common Council of the City of Plainfield was forwarded to the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield; and

WHEREAS no official word has been received from the said Council of the Borough of North Plainfield in reference to the above mentioned matter

BE IT RESOLVED That it is the sense of this Council that the property above described should be acquired by the City of Plainfield for park purposes without waiting any action on the part of the Borough of North Plainfield.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN MILLS:

Presented claim of the Public Service Corporation. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY COUNCILMAN MILLS:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman McDonough offered, for first reading, an ordinance entitled "Fire Prevention Ordinance" which was read and is as follows:

Introduce Ordinance Fire Prevention

FIRE PREVENTION ORDINANCE

Whereas any and all accumulations of readily combustible, inflammable or explosive materials are dangerous to property and human life and should not be unnecessarily permitted.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield,

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by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

1. Storing, keeping or allowing to collect or allowing to remain in any building or upon any premises in the City of Plainfield for any period of time longer than forty-eight hours, any collection or accumulation of used packing boxes or parts thereof, excelsior, straw-boards, paper, straw, chaff or other material of a readily combustible or inflammable nature which has been once used for packing, wrapping or other purpose; old newspapers, magazines, pamphlets, strings, rags or other materials of readily combustible or inflammable character and commonly classed as waste or rubbish, is hereby prohibited: provided that this prohibition shall not apply to any building or premises designated by resolution of the Common Council of said City for the storage of such materials during the period covered by such designation.

2. The Common Council may in its discretion from time to time designate by resolution certain isolated or suitable premises in or upon which such readily combustible or inflammable materials as are mentioned or described in the foregoing section may be accumulated, stored or kept. Every such resolution shall limit and prescribe not only the period during which such designation shall be effective but also the manner and means by which such materials shall be safeguarded while so accumulated, stored and kept in or upon such designated building or premises. Such designation shall be no defense to any action or proceeding for violation of this ordinance except in case the materials are safeguarded strictly in the manner prescribed in such resolution.

3. Storing, keeping or allowing to be stored or kept in any building or upon any premises in the City of Plainfield any gasoline, kerosene, benzine, naptha, gunpowder, dynamite or explosive of any name or character in any quantity greater than may be reasonably necessary for the reasonably immediate use or distributions for the purposes of sale at retain in the case of dealers, or for reasonably immediate consumption in the case of consumers, is hereby prohibited: provided that this prohibition shall not apply to any building or premises designated by resolution of the said Common Council for the storage of such liquids or explosives, during the period covered by such designation.

4. The Common Council may in its discretion from time to time designate by resolution certain suitable premises in or upon which such liquids and or explosives as are mentioned or described in the preceding section or one or more of them, may be stored and kept. Every such resolution shall limit and prescribe not only the period during which such designation shall be effective but also the manner and means by which such liquids and explosives shall be safeguarded when stored or kept in or upon such designated premises. Such designation shall be no defense to any action or proceeding for violation of this ordinance except in case the liquids and or explosives are safeguarded strictly in the manner prescribed in such resolution: provided further that nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to permit the storing, keeping or handling of any liquid or explosive in any manner contrary to the provisions of any statute of the State of New Jersey or of the United States of America.

5. Any designation whatsoever made by said Common Council pursuant to any provision of this ordinance may in the discretion of said Common Council be at any time revoked by resolution and from the moment of such revocation such designation shall be null and void notwithstanding that the period covered thereby has not yet expired.

6. It shall be the duty of the Chief of the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield to enter and inspect or cause to be entered and inspected by one or more of the officers or members of said department, at frequent intervals during reasonable hours, each and every building and premises in the City of Plainfield for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not any violation of this ordinance exists or is permitted therein or thereon and if so said chief, or the then acting chief, of said department shall report the same in writing to the chairman of the Committee on Fire and Buildings of the Common Council and under his direction make complaint to the City Judge against the person or persons responsible for such violation. And said chief, and all officers and members of said department when so ordered by said chief, are hereby authorized for the purpose of such inspection to enter any such building and premises at such reasonable intervals and hours in any lawful manner.

7. Every owner and every tenant of any lot, building or premises in the City of Plainfield who while entitled to possession of such lot, building or premises causes, permits or suffers thereon or therein anything prohibited by this ordinance, shall be guilty of violating the same and upon conviction shall be liable to the penalty hereinafter stated.

8. The penalty for violation of this ordinance shall be, for the first offense a fine of one hundred dollars, and for each subsequent offense of which the same person is convicted imprisonment in the County Jail of the County of Union for the term of ninety days or a fine of two hundred dollars or both such fine and imprisonment. The magistrate before whom any violator of this ordinance is convicted may impose any fine or term of imprisonment not exceeding the maximum above provided. In default of payment of any fine imposed hereunder such violator may in the discretion of such magistrate be imprisoned in the County Jail aforesaid or in the City Jail for any term not exceeding ninety days.

9. All ordinances and parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are so far as so inconsistent herewith repealed hereby, and this ordinance shall take effect on March 31st, 1920.

Adv. Ordinance

Mr. McDonough moved that the Clerk give notice of publication that it is the intention of the Common Council to pass the above ordinance on February 16, 1920.

Councilman Ackerman requested members of the Council to meet with the Finance Committee in the Library, upon the adjournment of the meeting.

AUDITING BY COUNCILMAN MILLS:

Reported all claims presented as correct and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

Resolution Pay Claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of Officials and General Office employees for the 2nd half of January 1920, amounting to	585.31
Claims appearing on the Miscellaneous Appropriation Account dated February 2nd, 1920, amounting to	688.63
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 2nd half of January 1920, amounting to	70.83
Claims appearing on the City Court Appropriation Account dated February 2nd, 1920, amounting to	3.60
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 2nd half of January, 1920, amounting to	120.83

Claims appearing on the District Court Appropriation Account dated February 2nd, 1920, amounting to	13.40
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 2nd half of January, 1920, amounting to	220.43
Claims appearing on the Tax Department Appropriation Account dated February 2nd, 1920, amounting to	3.90
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Department for the 2nd half of January, 1920, amounting to	45.84
Claims appearing on the Building Department Appropriation Account dated February 2nd, 1920, amounting to	.25
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street Department for the 2nd half of January, 1920, amounting to	1548.67
Claims appearing on the Street Department Appropriation Account dated February 2, 1920, amounting to	339.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Permanent Pavement Account 1919, for the 2nd half of January 1920, amounting to	18.00
Claims appearing on the Permanent Pavement Account 1919, Appropriation Account dated February 2, 1920, amounting to	12.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Sewer Department for the 2nd half of January, 1920, amounting to	222.50
Claims appearing on the Sewer Department Appropriation Account dated February 2, 1920, amounting to	432.14
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 2nd half of January, 1920, amounting to	1346.75
Claims appearing on the Police Department Appropriation Account dated February 2nd, 1920, amounting to	163.58
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 2nd half of January, 1920, amounting to	1846.95
Claims appearing on the Fire Department Appropriation Account dated February 2nd, 1920, amounting to	773.53
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 2nd half of January, 1920, amounting to	143.32

Claims appearing on the Poor Department Appropriation Account dated February 2nd, 1920, amounting to	9[illegible].43
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Snow and Ice Account for the 2nd half of January, 1920, amounting to	451.36
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 2nd half of January, 1920, amounting to	63.50
Claims appearing on the Interest on School Bonds (Emerson Avenue School) Appropriation Account dated February 2nd, 1920, amounting to	3350.00
Claims appearing on the Street Lighting Appropriation Account dated February 2nd, 1920, amounting to	1702.29
Claims appearing on the Publishing and Advertising Appropriation Account dated February 2nd, 1920, amounting to	17.40
	$15093.28

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

On motion meeting then adjourned.

John J. Carroll

City Clerk.

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Monday evening, February 9, 1920.

Adjourned meeting

Adjourned meeting of the Common Council held this evening. Present, President Graves and Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills.

Minutes of regular meeting held on February 2nd, were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Communication from Mayor vetoing resolution re park.

Communication from his Honor, the Mayor, regarding suggested purchase of property bounded by Watchung Avenue, East Front Street, Elm Place and Green Brook (not including property of the First Presbyterian Church) for a park, and advising that the resolution is returned without his approval, for reasons given in his letter, was read. Referred to Public Affairs Committee.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE COMMITTEE BY MR. ACKERMAN:

No report.

STREETS & SEWERS COMMITTEE

No report

FIRE & BUILDINGS COMMITTEE BY MR. McDONOUGH:

No report.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN FORCE

No report.

POLICE COMMITTEE BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

No report.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN MILLS:

No report.

LICENSE COMMITTEE:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Suspend Rules.

Mr. Ackerman moved that the regular order of business be suspended, for the purpose of a public hearing on the Budget. So ordered.

PROTESTS AGAINST BUDGET

Protests against Budget

Mr. R. Henry Depew:

"I protest against three heavy items, namely: Street and Sewer Department, Police Department and Fire Department.

Fire Department appropriation goes up from $66,000 to $111,000. From newspaper reports, this includes a new truck, with ladders to reach up 75 ft. We have no buildings of that heighth in Plainfield. The highest, I believe, do not require ladders of this size (President Graves here mentioned the Babcock and Tepper buildings). Tepper building is practically fire-proof and has a sprinkler system. In my opinion the owners of such buildings should protect their own property.

I don't think it is time for Plainfield to branch out in this manner. In my opinion, an expense of $112,000 for the Fire Department for 1920, is unreasonable, and out of the question.

With regard to request for a new fire building: I feel that the present fire house should be repaired, and that a new one should not be built.

I understand the proposed expenditure includes additional firemen: Why do we need additional firemen. We have automobileengines which can get around the city, much quicker than the old-time horses.

With regard to the firemen: I have passed the fire house on a number of occasions recently, and have noticed the firemen sitting around doing nothing. Should they not be kept busy?

In our own personal affairs, we trim our expenses down, and it would seem that the same method should be followed by the city of Plainfield.

I believe this expense should go up only to meet additional expenses in way of salaries. The same applies to the Streets & Sewers and Police Departments."

Answering Mr. Depew, Mr. Ackerman stated:-

"This is the first time that I have had the pleasure in assisting in getting up the budget. We have been at this budget every night for about two weeks. We have

also been without the assistance of the Mayor who has had eight years of experience with making up budgets. When we commenced this work, I think it was either three or four weeks ago tonight, we had a letter from the Mayor asking that we defer it for one week, by which time he hoped to be able to be present. When it was found that he was not able, there was nothing left for the Council to do but 'go to it'. We have had a great many meetings, We have met with the Chief of Police, with the Chief of the Fire Department, with committees and others who have had experience in making up budgets, and the result is just about as you find it, with this exception: The paper which Mr. Depew has read is a tentative budget, and the item for Fire Department, instead of being $111,240, the budget now reads $88,205.

Last year the Fire Department paid out $62,957. This year we appropriated $88,205, or an increase of $25,250.

It is very natural for the tax payers to ask what is this increase for.

An item of $14,000, or more than 50%, is for a new truck,- aerial truck with very tall ladders.

This truck was recommended by the Fire Committee of 1919 and the Fire Committee of 1920; it has been endorsed and recommended for at least two years back by the Chief and others in authority in the Fire Department.

This leaves about $9,000 - made up of fuel increase of $1000; increased bonus for the full year of $4500. The men got $150.00 bonus last year. The bonus this year is $300. We estimate to fill the vacancies of four men will cost $4500.

For Streets and Sewers last year we appropriated $102,000; this year $120,000, or an increase of $18,000. People are making complaints about condition of streets, and ask the question, When and how are they going to be fixed up?

Increased labor will cost $2500. And then there is the new truck, which we hope to use in hauling stone or sand, and have it promptly delivered on the work, instead of waiting until other orders are filled, and the City gets along as best it can. Bituminous resurfacing will cost at least $4500.

With regard to the Police Department: Last year they paid out $39,000; this year they ask for $54,000,- a $14,000 increase. Anticipating filling vacancies in force - $9900 for new men - in case they can get them. Two new motorcycles, $400 each. New office equipment. New bicycles, traffic stands make up the difference. Over 60% is for vacancies in the force, and the balance for incidentals.

The Chairman of each Committee, Fire, Police and Streets have given this subject a great deal of consideration; they have had before them the City Engineer, the Chief of the Police and Fire Depts., and this budget in its tentative form is the result of the time and effort and best thought that we can give on the subject.

Poor Department. The increase is $2122, due to increase in rent. You have to pay for poor people who are boarded out and taken care of. Provisions $230; fuel $300; increase to the Matron $425, and this provides for the elimination of laundry costs. Altogether, the Poor increase amounts to less than a point in the tax rate.

Street Lighting. Last year, $20,270; this year you are asking for $21,000 - one-quarter of a point to take care of new lights and increased candlepower of lights.

City Court has an increase of $76,000;
District Court of $885.00;
Tax Department of $800.00;
Salaries of City Hall employees: They are asking for increases.

In 1917 the City rate was	70	cents,
1918	68	"
1919	88	"
1920	1.06	

There are times when the Department at the Netherwood house has only two men on duty. One Captain and three men are stationed there. The same is true in the West End, with exception of one more man in that station."

By Mr. H. Rothberg:

"I come here tonight as the representative of the Plainfield Protective Association, which I want to say at this time is not associated with the Plainfield Tax Payers Protective Association, of which Mr. Depew is President.

We had a Committee meeting recently, after the tentative budget was announced, and at the meeting we took up the various items, and one fact that impressed us was the increase of the total property valuation of Plainfield from $34,000,000 to $36,000,000.

The thought came to us that possibly with the increase of $2,000,000, we were going to have a decrease in the tax rate. As against this, we found that from $2.36, it had gone up 29 points, to $2.65.

Our attention was directed to the amount for the Fire Department, but which, as Mr. Ackerman has already explained, has been decreased to $88,000, from $112,000.

In going over the Fire Department items, as Mr. Depew has already stated, we cannot see any real necessity for a new fire house. Our Committee thought possibly it was because of increased fires, but looking over the Fire Department's report, we learn that the entire property loss during the year 1919 was about $10,000 in the City of Plainfield.

Instead of reopening the old Second Street fire house, why not close the houses at Netherwood and in the West End, which were established during the time of horse-drawn vehicles. Now that we have motors, they can easily cover the entire city.

And instead of buying new apparatus, why not repair the present apparatus.

Our Committee feels that the 29 point increase could be reduced, by eliminating the $45,000 increase contemplated in the Fire Department, and drawing on more of the Captial Reserve or Surplus Revenue that the City Treasury has. Instead of

taking $85,000 out of the $190,000, take an additional $50,000, and also cut $5,000 from increases in other budget items, and with the total of $100,000, which is one-half of the $200,000 increase, instead of 29 point increase, hold it down to 2.50, instead of 2.65.

It has been called to our attention that the Insurance rates of this City have been going up higher, instead of coming down, and that in any other City in this state the Police Department, generally calls for an increased budget over the Fire Department, whereas in Plainfield the Fire Department calls for an increased budget over the Police Department.

I believe that the motorized equipment of the City should be put in condition to use, instead of buying new equipment.

I have seen the Nott Engine stalled in front of my office twice within the past three weeks.

We don't need 75' ladders to reach Dr. Pittis' sky-scrapers, and it might be a very good idea to have present equipment put in A-1 condition, instead of buying new equipment, and thus holding down the expenses, as Mr. Depew is urging conservation, and not expenditure. (President Graves here stated that the Council was trying to run the City as cheaply as possible; that price of labor was going up, and they could not help it).

What is the matter with the Nott engine?
(President Graves stated there did not seem to be anything in particular the matter with the engine, but at times it would not go, for some reason or other. We have it fixed up at a cost of $40.00 or $50.00, and again she stalls. Then too, the men running it have something to do with it. So many men in the Fire Department have left, and the new men are not really efficient. We can't get the men; both houses at Netherwood and in the West End are short of men).

Isn't it a fact that if we had efficient apparatus, they could reach any fire in this city in less than 10 minutes from the main house?

(President Graves stated they probably could reach any fire in ten or fifteen minutes)

Has anything been done about getting rid of the Nott engine, that everybody seems to be talking about.

(President Graves replied, that there was no reason for getting rid of $12,000, for $250.00).

In concluding, I simply want to say that, on behalf of the Association, we think that Mayor Calkins 'hit the nail on the head' when, on January 1st, stated 'we are for rigid economy'."

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Mr. Cose:

"I served as a member of the Common Council for four years, and during those four years it was my pleasure and privilege to be a member of the Finance Committee which had to make up the budget.

I don't represent any Protective Association, because

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I don't know just what a Protective Association protects. They certainly don't protect the West End of Plainfield in which I reside, nor do they protect Netherwood, when they want to take away the fire protection from these sections of the city. They may protect some business stores on Front Street. Most of the members are business men.

Regarding the Fire Department: I feel I am competent to say something about it, as I have had charge of fire prevention at a large plant during the past three years. Likewise, I was a member of the Plainfield Fire Department for sixteen years.

Whether we need an aerial truck just at this time, I do not know. As Mr. Ackerman very wisely said, Plainfield is no longer a small hamlet. And I want to say right now, that I don't believe that the tax payer in Plainfield or any member of the Common Council would care to see one single life lost in a fire in the city of Plainfield, and then have it said that it was due to lack of fire apparatus or equipment.

I am somewhat surprised that Mr. Depew would criticize the firemen sitting around in the fire house with nothing to do. What else could they do; you can't round up any army in time of war; likewise you can't round up firemen when a fire starts. You must have the fire department ready.

I have kept very close check on the men in the fire house in the West End of the city, and for more than thirty days this year, and for a period of six hours at a time when there has been only one man for the apparatus, due to shortage of men.

They are beginning to build houses very close together in the West End, and some of these days there is going to be a bad fire, and some lives will be lost, all because we didn't have the proper equipment. The average tax payer does not object to increases in taxes if it can be shown that he is getting value for his money.

All of us know that things are going up in price. These merchants who represent the Protective Association have many articles which they have increased the price upon. The City is in exactly the same position; everything that the City needs is costing more money; labor is costing more. Men in private business are paying more money. They have got to pay it; and the City must also pay it, and the only way we can secure men for the Fire and Police Departments is by paying the money and making the jobs attractive to the men, and then you will be able to fill those departments.

Poor budget: Someone said, why should there be any increase in the Poor budget, with everybody working.

It was also my privilege to be Chairman of the Alms Committee. There are a number of people living in Plainfield who have reached the age where they cannot work, and must be provided for; also everything they get costs more, and that is why, as I understand it, there is a slight increase in the Poor budget."

Mr. Depew (again)

With regard to the men of the Fire Department sitting

around. My idea was that the men should be doing something during certain periods, rather than sitting around. I think the Fire Department should be thoroughly posted as to the whereabouts of fire hydrants; there should be maps on the walls of the fire house showing such locations, and the men should study them, and then it would not be necessary for them to have to hunt around for the hydrants when turning out to fires, as has been the case on sereral recent occasions. Also, why is it necessary for them to cut a hole in the roof of a house and one in the floor and thus create a draft. Instead of spending additional money, why not make the best use of present equipment, and make the men efficient.

Mr. Fort:

"As a former member of the Council, and a member of the Finance Committee during the six months I was in the Council, I do not want to critize, but I do want to say a word regarding the Fire Department. I don't see why we should expend $14,000 for new apparatus, when they don't make the best use of the old apparatus, and particularly the Nott engine. I am curious to know what, in view of what Mr. Ackerman has said, and also remark made by Mr. Rothberg and how the Mayor feels about this apparatus? Also, can anyone say whether some other city the size of Plainfield has such a piece of apparatus as this?

(President Graves stated that the present truck was over 25 years old; it is antiquated, and is stationed in old No. 1 house, which has been abandoned. In case of a fire, and where it is found that longer ladders are required, this truck is taken out, which means that three or four men must be taken from the fire. I don't think there is much efficiency in continuing such a situation).

My question is still unanswered - can anyone give me any idea as to whether any other city of the size of Plainfield, has such an extravagant piece of apparatus?

(President Graves stated that New Brunswick was about the size of Plainfield; that they have recently adopted the two-platoon system, and it is going to cost them more money than Plainfield. If you are going to have a good department, why not have good tools to work with. Here in Plainfield the new men stay three or four months, and then leave for other jobs paying more money. They don't stay long enough to become efficient; after a man has been on the job eight, nine or ten years, he is considered a first-class fireman).

Mr. Rothberg brought up the question of fire insurance. Only recently I put $3,000 additional on my house, and I found that the rates had gone down 10%. That indicates that Plainfield is considered fairly efficient.

So far as the Poor Department in Plainfield is concerned, I feel that it is ably managed.

But I register my protest against any more expenditures in the Fire Department, until that Department, to some extent, is made efficient."

MR. MOY:

"I am not here to criticize. The question of the Fire Department seems to be pretty well threshed out. I would like to ask this question however. Why is it that men in the fire department leave to take jobs elsewhere, when they know what the salary is?

(President Graves stated, probably because they find there is real work connected with the job).

One more question, what is being done in the Fire Department about drilling the men - ladder drills and apparatus?

(President Graves stated that they have ladder drills two or three times during the Summer, and sometimes oftener, depending upon the number of fires. If there are no fires, we get them out oftener.)

I do offer criticism to this practice - they should not use fires as drill ground. They should know exactly what they are going to do at a fire.

I think that all tax payers are interested in knowing why the tax rate keeps mounting higher and higher, instead of going down. The limits of Plainfield have not changed in twenty-five years. We have spent a great deal of money during the past four years, and have put down concrete streets in all directions. This being true, why is it necessary to have a new Street Commissioner and an Assistant, when so much money has been spent to make streets which will not require so much attention; what extra work is the new Street Commissioner to do?

Now then, one word about bonuses: I see here an item of $2500 legal expenses for litigation. We have a Corporation Counsel to look after such work. These people want to know about these things. That is the reason these people are here, they want to know why their taxes keep going up and up. I know. I stood between the Council and the budget at one time, and I fought and fought hard to keep down taxes, and they were kept down. If you give to the City the same thought and care that you give to your own personal affairs, the taxes will be kept down. It seems to me unreasonable that with an increase of $2,000,000 in the valuation, there should also be an increase of 29 points in the tax rate.

These questions seem to me to be pertinent tonight. Salaries have gone up. I have the budgets here for fifteen years back, and as a tax payer, I want to ask you to do the best you can, and I am sure you will not spend any more money at this time than you have to spend."

Mr. Ackerman replies:

"I will try to answer the Bonus question. Bonuses are paid under what is called the Bonus Act. When we get back into normal times we may drop the bonus. I feel the Council has done right in this matter, and it relieves them of increasing salaries.

As far as streets are concerned: I think there are eighty-one miles of streets in Plainfield, with six miles of concrete streets, or say ten. This leaves seventy miles. It is the intention to thoroughly bind these streets and repair them under the supervision of our new City Engineer, who says that the proper material to use is bituminous, such as they have used at Cranford. It costs a little more than oil, but wears much better.

The expense for Attorney's fees is for litigation in the concreting of Seventh Street; it does not come under the retainer of the Council; and also provides for legal expenses in connection with Watchung and Park Avenues. The Attorney could not say just what the expense will be.

In matter of consideration by the Council of the Budget, I take umbrage to the statement made, that if the Council would give the same consideration, as to their own personal affairs. The Council meets twenty-six times a year, twice each month, with special meetings; the Committees meet twice a week, or a total of over 126 times a year. We go over all matters, and get the best information we can. No one in Plainfield gives more attention to the affairs of the City than this Council, and this City Clerk and the Tax Collector, and the Mayor; they are all faithful, honest, hard-working men. The Mayor spends more time here than he does at his office. The question as to what does he say about all these things - the Mayor has not been very well, and we have been unable to get in touch with him; his nurse says that he cannot attend to business matters. I believe, however, that he thinks that the figures are high, but understands they are tentative. What he thinks of the revised figures, I do not know. It would be a fine thing, if we could say 'It is up to you, if you want to cut them down, or raise them'.

I would also like to say here, that the Police expenditure has been reduced from $58,000, to $54,000.

In the tentative budget we ask for $1,000 account Memorial tablet, or in whatever form it may be. It is the purpose of this Council to record in some durable way the names of the men who went to war, and in this building, in some way. It might be a large bronze plate, 8 x 5. I would like to go on record for myself and for the Council, that we are going to attend to this just as soon as we can do so, and this will increase the expenditure from $1,000 to $2,000; in round figures, a little less than two-thirds of a point, to record the names of the men from Plainfield who were in the great war."

Mr. Sebring:

"I desire to mention the one item with reference to the Street Litigation appropriation of $2500. You have as your

Corporation Counsel one of the brightest lawyers in the State of New Jersey; he is fully competent to handle the matter as between the City and the property owners. When he was working for the Borough of North Plainfield, for $300 per year, he earned his money, and I think the City Council should earn his salary in this instance.

(President Graves stated that the $2500 covers expenses, which the salary of the Corporation Counsel does not cover).

Mrs. A. B. Jones:

"Regarding the Municipal Collection of Garbage and Ashes: I see no expense on account of this. Does that mean that we must get along for another year?

(President Graves stated that the matter was in the hands of the Research & Advisory Commission; they are to make a report by the first of April)

Then they have a year in which to make a report; and we have been trying for fifteen years."

Rev. McCoy:

"I come here this evening as a representative of the Ministers' Association.

In looking over the budget, I notice that last year $500 was appropriated for the use of the Playgrounds Commission, and this year you advanced it $500, or $1000. That shows that you do have some confidence in the objective that Commission represents.

It seems to me that $500 is a waste of money, unless you add to it several times. You can only purchase limited equipment. Our children in Plainfield are our most valuable assets today. The Commission asks for $6455. Perhaps some of the items may be eliminated. Orange, N. J. appropriated $8,000; West Orange $4500; South Orange $3500; Morristown $22,760; Perth Amboy $2500; East Orange $150,000,- $35,000 being in the budget."

Mrs. Hibbard:

I represent the Monday Afternoon Club; we are all in favor of the Recreation fund. We stand as a unit back of this movement."

Mrs. A. B. Jones:

"Representing Mothers' Association. We are in favor of the Recreation Fund."

Mr. Hand:

"I think that people who have youngsters, who can't take care of them, should not have them. If we must spend $4,000 to take care of them, we should get 15 acres of vacant ground, put a fence around it and put them all in it".

Rev. McCoy:

"There is no place in Plainfield to take care of all the children. We want to teach the children of Plainfield to take care of themselves."

Mr. Hand:

"When I raise the rents, they say I am a hog; and who is the cause of it, you (Council) are by raising taxes."

Mr. Spicer:

"I come here tonight, and on short notice, as representing Mr. Cleaver of the Pond Tool Works, and Mr. Ayers of the International Motor Company, and in behalf of the Recreation Fund. I understand $6,000 has been asked for, and $1,000 granted. In our opinion the City cannot afford to reduce this amount to only $1,000. A good many of the factory men get real benefit from this fund; they don't secure any benefit from improved streets, even though they live on those streets. We should do everything we can to help the "growing children".

Mr. Fort:

"If you will put it to a vote of the people here, you will soon find out whether they want the $14,000 truck, or the Recreation Fund."

Mr. Rothberg:

"Regarding the insurance; Mr. Fort seems to have a pull with some insurance Company. The insurance on two large buildings in this city, Woodhull & Martin and Babcock Buildings have had their insurance raised during the past year, and that fact is inconsistent with Mr. Fort's statement."

Mr. Fort:

"May I ask when the increased rate was paid?"

Mr. Rothberg:

"It was paid in January."

Mr. Ackerman:

"For the benefit of those who are present, I will say that the Council have had a number of acrimonious discussions on this question. I do not think we are a unit. Personally, I have hopes that some day the Playground Commission

will get all that it asks for, and under present conditions, I think Plainfield will do little more than they are doing at the present time."

Mr. President, if there is nothing further, I move that we return to the regular order of business. It was so ordered.

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Offered the following resolution for reduction of fire budget:

Resolution reduce Fire Budget

RESOLVED, That the appropriation of the Fire Department as set out in the 1920 Budget which was approved by this Council on February 2, 1920 be, and the same hereby is decreased from $111,240.00 to $88,205.00.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution to increase Building Inspector's budget:

Resolution Increase Bldg. Insp. Budget

RESOLVED, That the appropriation of the Building Inspector's Department as set out in the 1920 Budget which was approved by this Council on February 2, 1920 be, and the same hereby is, increased from $1550.00 to $1650.00.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution increasing appropriation for Memorial Tablet:

Resolution increase appropriation for Memorial Budget

RESOLVED, That the appropriation of the Memorial Tablet as set out in the 1920 Budget which was approved by this Council on February 2, 1920 be, and the same hereby is increased from $1,000.00 to $2,000.00.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Resolution reduce Police Budget

Offered the following resolution reducing the Police Budget:

RESOLVED, That the appropriation of the Police Department as set out in the 1920 Budget which was approved by this Council on

Feb. 2, 1920 be, and the same hereby is, reduced from $58,472.00 to $54,822.00.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution increasing Street Lighting Budget:

Resolution Increase Street Lighting Budget

RESOLVED, That the appropriation of the Street Lighting as set out in the 1920 Budget which was approved by this Council on February 2, 1920, be, and the same hereby is, increased from $20,500.00 to $21,000.00.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution to give notice of public hearing on changes in budget:

Resolution Public Hearing Revised Budget

WHEREAS, there has been a decrease of over 10% in the amount of the appropriation for the Fire Department, and an increase of over 10% in the amount appropriated for Memorial Tablet as set out in the budget approved by this Council at its meeting held February 2, 1920;

RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to give notice, in the manner prescribed by law, of a public hearing on the abovementioned items, to be held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, on Tuesday, February 17, 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

AUDITING BY COUNCILMAN MILLS:

No report.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

John J. Carroll
City Clerk.

Monday Evening, February 16, 1920.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present: President Graves and Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, Maynard and Mills. Absent Councilmen Boyd and Condict.

Minutes of adjourned meeting held February 9th were read and approved.

Appoint Councilman James on Committees

President Graves appointed Councilman James a member of the Street Lighting Committee, Alms Committee and Chairman of the License Committee, to fill vacancies caused by death of Mr. Walsh.

Mr. McDonough came in at this time.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Communication from Mayor re Budget

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, regarding the 1920 Budget, and suggesting further decreases therein, as follows:

Fire Department	from	$88,205	to	$70,000
Police "	"	54,822	"	50,000
Street & Sewer Department,	"	120,340	"	110,340

Referred to Finance Committee.

Mayors Comm. Fire Dept Appropriation

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, returning resolution adopted at last meeting of the Council, reducing appropriation for Fire Department, from $111,240 to $88,205, with advice of disapproval, and suggesting, as set forth in another communication, that the appropriation be still further reduced to $70,000. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Mayors Comm. Police Appropriation

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, returning resolution adopted at last meeting of the Council, reducing the appropriation for Police Department, from $58,472 to $54,822, with advice of disapproval, and suggesting as set forth in another communication, that the appropriation be still further reduced to $50,000. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Comm. Bd. School Estimate

Communication was received from the Board of School Estimate, advising that it will be necessary to appropriate the sum of $289,235 for schools in the City of Plainfield, for the year July 1, 1920 to June 30, 1921, exclusive of amount to be paid by the County Superintendent of Schools.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

File report District Court Clerk

Report of the Clerk of the District Court, for the month of January, 1920, was read and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE:

CITY HALL BUILDING:

No report.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Adjourn

Moved that when the Council adjourns it will adjourn to meet at 8 P. M. February 17, 1920. So ordered.

Meeting of Finance Comm.

Mr. Ackerman also requested that the Finance Committee be directed, upon adjournment of the meeting, to meet in the Library to take up question of further reductions in Budget. Members of the Council, not members of the Finance Committee, were invited to be present.

Offered the following resolution appointing Frank M. Dunham as Assistant in Tax Collector's office:

Resolution - Frank M. Dunham Assistant in Tax Dept.

RESOLVED, That Frank M. Dunham be, and he hereby is, employed at the pleasure of the Common Council, as Assistant in the Tax Collector's office, at the rate of $100.00 per month as of and from February 1, 1920.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the said Frank M. Dunham shall immediately give bond to the Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield in the sum of $5,000.00 in such form and with such sureties as shall be accepted by the Corporation Counsel.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY COUNCILMAN McDONOUGH:

Offered the following resolution directing N. Y. Telephone to install individual line telephone in city stables:

Resolution N. Y. Telephone Co. install individual line telephone in City Stables

RESOLVED that the New York Telephone Company be and is hereby requested to install an individual line telephone in the city stables, West Second Street, Plainfield, at an annual rental of $36.00 and a service connection charge of $3.50, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be and is hereby empowered to sign the Company's regular form of application covering the installation of such service.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

POLICE BY COUNCILMAN HULL:

Reported all bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN MILLS:

No report.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN JAMES:

Grant application of Jacob Blimm Jr. to keep Inn & Tavern.

Reported back application of Jacob Blimm, Jr., for license to keep an Inn and Tavern at Nos. 37-39 Somerset Street which was read. Chairman James moved same be granted. Granted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant application of J J Sullivan to keep Inn & Tavern

Reported back application of John J. Sullivan, for license to keep an Inn and Tavern at Nos. 107-109-111 North Avenue which was read. Chairman James moved same be granted. Granted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant application John A. Staats to keep Inn and Tavern.

Reported back application of John A. Staats for license to keep an Inn and Tavern at corner Park Avenue and East 2nd Street which was read. Chairman James moved same be granted. Granted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

2d reading Ordinance Fire Prevention

Called up on second reading and final passage an ordinance entitled "Fire Prevention Ordinance" which was read and is as follows:

FIRE PREVENTION ORDINANCE

Whereas any and all accumulations of readily combustible, inflammable or explosive materials are dangerous to property and human life and should not be unnecessarily permitted.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

1. Storing, keeping or allowing to collect or allowing to remain in any building or upon any premises in the City of Plainfield for any period of time longer than forty-eight hours, any collection or accumulation of used packing boxes or parts thereof, excelsior, straw-boards, paper, straw, chaff or other material of a readily combustible or inflammable nature which has been once used for packing, wrapping or other purpose; old newspapers, magazines, pamphlets, strings, rags or other materials of readily combustible or inflammable character and commonly classed as waste or rubbish, is hereby prohibited: provided that this prohibition shall not apply to any building or premises designated by resolution of the Common Council of said City for the storage of such materials during the period covered by such designation.

2. The Common Council may in its discretion from time to time designate by resolution certain isolated or suitable premises in or upon which such readily combustible or inflammable materials as are mentioned or described in the foregoing section may be accumulated, stored or kept. Every such resolution shall limit and prescribe not only the period during which such designation shall be effective but also the manner and means by which such materials shall be safeguarded while so accumulated, stored and kept in or upon such designated building or premises. Such designation shall be no de-

fense to any action or proceeding for violation of this ordinance except in case the materials are safeguarded strictly in the manner prescribed in such resolution.

3. Storing, keeping or allowing to be stored or kept in any building or upon any premises in the City of Plainfield any gasoline, kerosene, benzine, naptha, gunpowder, dynamite or explosive of any name or character in any quantity greater than may be reasonably necessary for the reasonably immediate use or distributions for the purposes of sale at retail in the case of dealers, or for reasonably immediate consumption in the case of consumers, is hereby prohibited: provided that this prohibition shall not apply to any building or premises designated by resolution of the said Common Council for the storage of such liquids or explosives, during the period covered by such designation.

4. The Common Council may in its discretion from time to time designate by resolution certain suitable premises in or upon which such liquids and or explosives as are mentioned or described in the proceeding section or one or more of them, may be stored and kept. Every such resolution shall limit and prescribe not only the period during which such designation shall be effective but also the manner and means by which such liquids and explosives shall be safeguarded when stored or kept in or upon such designated premises. Such designation shall be no defense to any action or proceeding for violation of this ordinance except in case the liquids and or explosives are safeguarded strictly in the manner prescribed in such resolution: provided further that nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to permit the storing, keeping or handling of any liquid or explosive in any manner contrary to the provisions of any statute of the State of New Jersey or of the United States of America.

5. Any designation whatsoever made by said Common Council pursuant to any provision of this ordinance may in the discretion of said Common Council be at any time revoked by resolution and from the moment of such revocation such designation shall be null and void notwithstanding that the period covered thereby has not yet expired.

6. It shall be the duty of the Chief of the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield to enter and inspect or cause to be entered and inspected by one or more of the officers or members of said department, at frequent intervals during reasonable hours, each and every building and premises in the City of Plainfield for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not any violation of this ordinance exists or is permitted therein or thereon and if so said chief, or the then acting chief, of said department shall report the same in writing to the chairman of the Committee on Fire and Buildings of the Common Council and under his direction make com-

plaint to the City Judge against the person or persons responsible for such violation. And said chief, and all officers and members of said department when so ordered by said chief, are hereby authorized for the purpose of such inspection to enter any such building and premises at such reasonable intervals and hours in any lawful manner.

7. Every owner and every tenant of any lot, building or premises in the City of Plainfield who while entitled to possession of such lot, building or premises causes, permits or suffers thereon or therein anything prohibited by this ordinance, shall be guilty of violating the same and upon conviction shall be liable to the penalty hereinafter stated.

8. The penalty for violation of this ordinance shall be, for the first offense a fine of one hundred dollars, and for each subsequent offense of which the same person is convicted imprisonment in the County Jail of the County of Union for the term of ninety days or a fine of two hundred dollars or both such fine and imprisonment. The magistrate before whom any violator of this ordinance is convicted may impose any fine or term of imprisonment not exceeding the maximum above provided. In default of payment of any fine imposed hereunder such violator may in the discretion of such magistrate be imprisoned in the County Jail aforesaid or in the City Jail for any term not exceeding ninety days.

9. All ordinances and parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are so far as so inconsistent herewith repealed hereby, and this ordinance shall take effect on March 31st, 1920.

Affidavit Publication

The Clerk produced affidavit of publication showing that notice of intent to pass this ordinance at this meeting had been duly advertised. The same was ordered filed.

Adopt Ordinance

Councilman McDonough moved that the ordinance be adopte on final reading. So ordered upon a call of the roll all preset voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

AUDITING BY COUNCILMAN MILLS:

Reported all bills correct and offered the following resolution for payment of same:

Resolution Pay Claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of Officials and General Office Employees for the 1st half of February 1920, amounting to $ 569.99

Salaries and wages of persons appearing

on the pay roll of the Building Department for the 1st half of February, 1920, amounting to	45.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 1st half of February, 1920, amounting to	202.09
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 1st half of February, 1920, amounting to	70.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 1st half of February, 1920, amounting to	120.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street and Sewer Department for the 1st half of February, 1920 amounting to	4680.05
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 1st half of February, 1920, amounting to	50.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 1st half of February, 1920 amounting to	1072.06
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 1st half of February, 1920, amounting to	1974.91
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 1st half of February, 1920, amounting to	145.84
Total	$ 8932.44

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

On motion meeting then adjourned.

City Clerk.

John J Carroll

Tuesday Evening, February 17, 1920.

Adjourned meeting

Adjourned meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Graves and Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills. Absent, Councilmen Boyd and Condict.

Minutes of regular meeting of February 16th were read and approved.

Suspend Rules

Mr. Ackerman moved that the regular order of business be suspended for a public hearing on the Fire appropriation and Memorial appropriation of the Budget. So ordered.

No one appeared for hearing on Budget

There being no response from the public in attendance at the meeting, President Graves instructed the Page to go to the lower floor of the building to see if there was anyone who wished to appear before the Council and protest against the budget. The Page reported he found no one on the lower floor.

Mr. Ackerman moved that the Council return to the regular order of business. So ordered.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR OTHER CITY OFFICER

None

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE:

CITY HALL BUILDING:

No report.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

File Mayor's communication regarding budget

Reported back communication from the Mayor of February 16th regarding the Budget, and moved same be filed. So ordered.

File Certificate Bd. of School Estimate

Reported back certificate of the Board of Education regarding amount needed for school purposes for the current year, and moved same be filed. So ordered.

Reported back resolution regarding the decrease in the Police appropriation, which was adopted by the

Council on February 9th, 1920, and returned by the Mayor without his approval for the following reasons:

Communication from Mayor vetoing Police appropriation

"To the Common Council
of the City of Plainfield:
I feel obliged to return this resolution without my approval because, for reasons which I have set forth in a separate communication to your honorable body, I think the police appropriation for the year can safely be reduced to $50,000.

February 16/20.

Leighton Calkins."

Moved that we proceed to reconsider the said returned resolution.

Adopt resolution Police appropriation

This motion was carried upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Moved the adoption of the above mentioned resolution covering appropriation of the Police Department, with reduction from $58,472 to $54,822:

Resolution Police appropriation

RESOLVED: That the appropriation of the Police Department as set out in the 1920 Budget which was approved by this Council on Feb. 2, 1920 be, and the same hereby is, reduced from $58,472.00 to $54,822.00.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported back resolution regarding decrease in Fire Department appropriation, which was adopted by the Council on February 9th, 1920, and returned by the Mayor without his approval, for the following reasons:

Communication from Mayor vetoing Fire Dept. appropriation

"To the Common Council
of the City of Plainfield:
I feel obliged to return this resolution without my approval, not because I disapprove the reduction but because I am satisfied that the appropriation can safely be reduced to $70,000, for reasons which I have stated in a separate communication to your honorable body.

Feb'y. 16/20.

Leighton Calkins"

Moved that we proceed to reconsider the said returned resolution.

This motion was carried upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Moved the adoption of the above mentioned resolution covering Fire appropriation as passed by the Council on February 9th, with reduction from $111,240 to $88,205:

Adopt resolution re Dept. appropriation

RESOLVED, That the appropriation of the Fire Department as set out in the 1920 Budget which was approved by the Council on February 2, 1920 be, and the same hereby is decreased from $111,240.00 to $88,205.00.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution to finally adopt the 1920 Budget:

Adopt Budget

RESOLVED, That the following Local Budget for the Fiscal Year, beginning January 1, 1920 which was duly approved, advertised and submitted for a hearing and objections by taxpayers, as required by law, on February 9, 1920 and February 17, 1920 be, and the same hereby is, finally adopted as the Local Budget of the Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield for the Fiscal Year thereof beginning January 1, 1920, to-wit:

LOCAL BUDGET

Surplus Revenue Account $190,000.00

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Miscellaneous Revenue		
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3. Licenses - Other	4900.00	4000.00
4. Permits - Sewer	230.00	100.00
5. Fees - Tax Search	450.00	300.00
6. Fees - Other	485.00	500.00
7. Fines - Police Court	2500.00	3000.00
8. Fines - Health Department	700.00	400.00
9. Fines - Other	950.00	1500.00
10. Interest	10000.00	10500.00
11. Franchise Tax	27000.00	17000.00
12. Poll Tax	3500.00	3500.00
Dog Tax (included in other licenses)		
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14. 5% Street Railway Receipts	9500.00	8400.(
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	$572855.00	$464826.(

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1. Streets and Sewers Department	120340.00	101500.00
2. Police	54822.00	40000.00
3. Board of Health	15000.00	12600.00
4. City's Share of Improvements	30000.00	2500.00
5. Audit of City Books and Accounts	1150.00	850.00
6. Hospital	7500.00	5000.00
7. Publishing and Advertising	3000.00	2000.00
8. District Court	4156.00	3325.00
9. Rent		600.00
10. Contingent Expenses	10000.00	12000.00
11. Police Pension Fund	3000.00	2500.00
12. Insurance Premiums		325.00
13. Memorial Day	150.00	100.00
14. Tax Department	9800.00	9800.00
15. Building Inspector's Department	1650.00	1300.00
16. City Court	1850.00	1850.00
17. Salaries and Bonuses	17700.00	14330.00
18. Purchase City Storage Yard		8500.00
19. Interest on School Bonds	34115.00	27655.00
20. Interest on Sewer Bonds	34612.50	24288.00
21. Interest on Police Station Bonds	573.75	642.00
22. Interest on City Hall Bonds	10000.00	
23. Interest on Street Improvement Bonds	6390.00	7275.00
24. Interest on Fire Apparatus Bonds	300.00	350.00
25. Interest on Steam Roller Bonds	127.50	140.00
26. Notes due (Interest Deficiency)	100.00	2971.00
27. Interest on Notes	8200.25	3000.00
28. Principal on School Bonds	6000.00	6000.00
29. Principal on Sewer Bonds	11000.00	11000.00
30. Principal on Police Station Bonds	1500.00	1500.00
31. Principal on Street Improvement Bonds	13000.00	13000.00
32. Principal on Fire Apparatus Bonds	1000.00	1000.00
33. Sinking Fund	16310.00	32275.00
33.a Principal Steam Roller Bonds	500.00	

	1920 Appropriations	1919 Appropriations
34. Public Library	12000.00	12000.00
35. Fire Department	88205.00	66000.00
36. Play Grounds Commission	1000.00	500.00
37. Shade Tree Commission	2700.00	2400.00
38. Street Lighting	21000.00	20500.00
39. City Poor Fund	16303.00	13250.00
40. Research and Advisory Commission	1000.00	
41. Street Improvement Litigation	2500.00	
42. Liquor License Rebate	1800.00	
43. Memorial Tablet	2000.00	
44. Dental Clinic	500.00	
	$572855.00	$464826.00

For the benefit of our newspaper friends who are present, Mr. Ackerman stated,

Opinions of Councilmen on Budget

"After the Council adjourned last night we adjourned for conference in the Library, and took up, read, and studied very carefully the letters of the Mayor, in which he did not see his way clear to approve the items as contained in the budget, especially relating to the Fire, Streets and Police Departments.

As I said, we gave a great deal of consideration to what he had to say, item by item. There wasn't any different consideration, I might say, than was given to the other items as they were originally made when we prepared the budget, but in view of the fact that the Mayor had so clearly expressed himself, and showed such good reasons from his standpoint as to why the budget should be reduced, we, with a great deal of pleasure, took up his letters, analysing his figures and statements.

After we had made an exhaustive analysis and study of the proposition, we came to the conclusion that we could not see our way clear to make any change whatever in the budget The people were demanding better streets, better fire protection and more policemen, and we did not know how they could obtain these benefits unless the money was appropriated. The entire Council was at the conference, and the vote in each instance was unanimous.

I desire to take this opportunity to thank the Finance Committee and members of the Council for their time and effort which they have put on this matter. I, was on the Finance Committee last year, and I thought then that men could work no harder, but I think we have done as much as they did, especially when you consider the limited time we had to consider this matter due to the fact that the Mayor had asked us to withhold conferences until he could get around, and his not being around naturally delayed the situation."

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Remarks by Mr. Hull, of the Police Committee::

"I have nothing to say, outside of what was said last evening, in which it was agreed that we had pared the budget down to the lowest amount possible, and would still be able to give protection to the City of Plainfield."

By Mr. McDonough of the Streets Committee:

"I have nothing to say, any more than what has been said in committee. We talked the matter over very carefully last evening.

I have made it a point for the past two or three weeks, or month, to see different citizens of Plainfield; men who had a knowledge of the inside workings of the Fire Department and its needs, and men that had served in the department in capacity of firemen and as officers, and men who had served in capacity of Chairman of the Fire Committee, and in every single instance I was told that we would be making a serious mistake if we didn't get the truck, and that is just about how it stands so far as the Fire Department is concerned. I feel now, as I did from the very beginning, that we might go on and not get the truck, and be fortunate enough, as we have been for the past few years, and not have a bad fire and loss of life. If the state of affairs should change, and if anything would happen, somebody lose their life, and it could be shown that it was for lack of proper equipment that such life was lost, I would hate to be Chairman of the Fire Department. I know how I would feel.

As far as the Street Department is concerned, I have been acting upon that since Chairman Condict has been away, and venture to say that I know a little something about the Street Department and its needs, and I think that Plainfield has been going along very poorly in matter of economy in cutting down the Street Department to such an extent that when anyone comes inside of the city line of Plainfield, they know they are in Plainfield from the ruts in the streets. I have heard this remark time and again.

Last year I am sure that the condition of the streets depreciated not less than 20%, and I didn't see that it was caused by any man concerned in the Department, but simply from the fact that they did not have the material to do the work with.

Now the Council felt the necessity of getting a competent Engineer to put at the head of the Department, and pay him a good salary. I thought it would be the very poorest of economy to put a first-class man at the head of the department, and give him nothing to do the work with. It seems to me that if the purpose was to do nothing, we might just as well let the department go on, and not put the extra expense on.

I am a tax-payer myself on a fairly large scale. I certainly would not approve of anything that would increase the taxes for personal reasons, as well as for public reasons. But I do think that it is very poor economy to let our streets go to ruin, let our city drop behind every village around, and because of the practice of penury in our appropriation.

Today, and for the past four or five years, I was in a position to note how the value of property stood in different towns around. Here in Plainfield a property would sell for $4,000, and sell for $5,000 to $5,500 in Westfield - the same class of property. Now I cannot see any other reason why it should be so - in fact it should be the opposite in a town of 30,000 inhabitants, a city with the best of schools, good citizens, good factories, good railroad accommodation, and all that. Property in such a town of 30,000 inhabitants as Plainfield ought to sell for more than a town with 9000 inhabitants. And I cannot lay it to any other reason than to the fact that the streets and other parts of the city have been neglected - not through any of the officials or any neglect of theirs, but simply for the purpose of trying to keep down the taxes. And it seems to me, as a business man who has had 30 years of experience, that it is very poor economy to lose 25 to 40% of the value of our property for the sake of gaining one-quarter of 1% in our taxes. It don't seem right to me. I say it, and I say it with all honesty, I am working for the city as I would for myself. If this was a corporation, and I held a majority of stock in it, I would do just as I do now. I would vote to keep up the stock of the corporation, and by that I mean the streets, the fire department, and the police department - these are the three departments.

I am in favor of the budget as it was laid down. No one can say that it is extravagant. I do not think they understand; I don't think they have given it sufficient consideration. Extravagance as I see it is a waste of money; it is the spending of money for a purpose that will never give any return, but I have confidence in this method of spending money, that it will give a return, and a very good return too. I think that good streets are about the most essential thing, outside of good schools, good police protection and good fire protection are all the principal essentials of a good and prosperous city."

By Mr. Force:

"I think that Mr. McDonough has just about expressed my sentiments in the matter. I have heard a good many remarks in the past year, two years possibly, what progress Westfield has been making, and a great many criticisms as to the way Plainfield streets have been kept, and I think that it has been a detriment to Plainfield that we have not taken care of our streets better. The streets cannot be taken care of better by having a small amount of working capital. Everything costs more now, stone and tarvia and labor cost more than it has been costing in the past, and it is only natural that we should have a greater amount in the budget this year, than last year. I think that we have been very conservative in the amount that we have appropriated for the streets and improvements this year. I really think that if times were not as they are, and things so high, that it would have been very good judgment on our part to appropriate more for still greater improvements.

If you will recall last year there wasn't 50% of the streets in passable condition up to the middle of July or first of August. I don't know how many people I have heard

complain about broken springs on their automobiles. What was the reason, because the streets were not repaired early enough in the season.

In order to do this work, we must have money to do this work, and I think that it is very poor economy to try and save a few points in taxes and have the streets in poor condition, an have people who drive through the city, as well as the citizens themselves, continually criticizing.

The same thing applies to the Fire Department. We are fortunate we have not had any fires in a tall building. The ol fire committee recommended a new truck. The Fire Chief has don so for the past two years. Suppose we ignore this warning, and for the sake of economy keep down the budget, and not get the new truck: If there was a fire in, say the Babcock Building, an a fireman, with a party he had rescued, fell to the ground, due o a broken ladder, the Council would be criticized because for the sake of keeping the budget down a few points, they had not gotte the truck.

We had the interest of the public at heart in passing the budget. It is very easy for one on the outside to critize. I am willing to admit that two or three years ago, before I was in the Council, possibly I was inclined to criticize a little bit. But if they knew conditions as I do now, I don't believe that there would be the newspaper criticism that there has been. I have consulted with a great many people in the last two or three weeks, who were large tax-payers, and I have yet to hear one say to keep the taxes down and not make these improvements. Everyone said go ahead and make the improvements. We want good streets, a good fire department and a good police department. The only ones against it were the three or four at the hearing a week ago last night; those and the newspapers are the only criticisms that I have heard."

By Mr. Lovell:

"There is nothing I can add to what has already been said. It is inconceivable to me that any thoughtful person could suppose that this City can be run for any smaller sum than an outside business. Everything else is going up, and how could it be expected that the City Departments can be run at a lower rate.

I am heartily in favor of the truck, and of the figure named for the streets, and also for the police department."

By Mr. Mills:

"I don't know that there is anything that I can say. I have used my judgment in this matter as I would in my own busines, and favor the budget as drawn.".

By Mr. Maynard:

"I can't say anything more. We have done our duty as we see it, and I am willing to do the same thing again regardless of all criticism."

By Mr. James:

"I can add nothing to what has already been said. I believe the people of the East End agree with them."

By President Graves:

"I want to thank you for the hard work that you have put on this budget. You have a perfect right to your own opinions. The citizens who elected you as members of the Council, did so because they felt that you had ideas of your own, and that you had the stamina to defend your ideas. I think the Mayor means to be right. He was probably mistaken; maybe we are mistaken, we don't know. I have always had a great deal of regard for the Mayor and his opinions. I have never had any serious differences of opinion with him, but I thought this time he was mistaken. I do not think we could continue on the basis he has mapped out. I thought we needed moremoney to run the City, and it was up to the Common Council to study every item carefully, and I sat with you at almost every meeting, and I know you werehere, one occasion, until half past one; another night to one o'clock; several nights between half past ten and twelve o'clock. You didn't do this offhand. I know you gave a lot of time and a lot of study to it, and you came to the conclusion that this was the budget that should be adopted. I thank you for the courage of your convictions."

The above resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Refer matter of fire escapes to proper Committee

Mr. Ackerman stated that he noted by the paper, that the Mayor calls attention to the fact that if there are any buildings in this city which need fire escapes it is the duty of the Fire Chief or the Building Inspector to see that they are put in; and that if such is the case, he, Mr. Ackerman, desires to lay the matter before the proper committee to see that it is taken care of, and whether it is a State law or an ordinance.

Also, that the Mayor stated that so far as the public safety is concerned there is far greater need to spend what a new aerial truck would cost for the installation of the fixed booth and flashlight system in the police department.

In connection with this, Mr. Ackerman offered the following resolution regarding the fixed bdoth and flashlight system in Police department:

Resolution Investigate fixed booth and flashlight system for Police Dept.

WHEREAS the Mayor stated in his communication dated February 16, 1920, which was read to the Council on that date, that for the sake of the public safety the installation of the fixed booth and flash light system was needed in the Police Department;

BE IT RESOLVED that it is the sense of this Council that the Board of Police should

make a thorough investigation of this system, and secure such data as may be obtainable to the end that if the system cannot be inaugurated this year, provision can be made in the 1921 budget to take care of the matter if such action is thought advisable.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, James, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mill and President Graves.

Tenement House & Factory inspectors responsible for fire escapes on buildings

President Graves replied to Mr. Ackerman, stating in regard to fire escapes that it was up to the Tenement House Inspectors and might possibly be also up to Factory Inspectors for certain buildings of that class.

STREETS & SEWERS BY COUNCILMAN MCDONOUGH:

No report.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN MCDONOUGH:

No report.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

POLICE BY COUNCILMAN HULL:

No report.

STREET LIGHTING BY COUNCILMAN MILLS:

No report.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

No report.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN JAMES:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

No report.

AUDITING BY COUNCILMAN MILLS:

No report.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

John J Carroll

City Clerk.

Monday Evening, March 1, 1920.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Graves and Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, and Mills. Absent, Councilmen Boyd and Condict.

Minutes of adjourned meeting of February 17th were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Application for auctioneer license

Application from Wm. A. Schorb & Co., for license as Auctioneer. Referred to the License Committee.

Application for junkman license

Applications for licenses as Junkman were received from the following: Michele Sandocroce, H. Rosenthal, Vito Liscio, Isaac R. Srager, John Grolette, Gutman Lurie, Max Estrin. Referred to License Committee.

Petition F. Linke refund license fee

Petition of Frank Linke, for refund of license fee paid for permission to sell intoxicating liquor, for period during term of license which sales were prohibited. Referred to Finance Committee.

Petition - St. Mary's Ave to be macadamized

Petition signed by Geo. Sabino, et als, property owners on St. Mary's Avenue, requesting that the street be macadamized. Referred to Street and Sewer Committee.

Communication Martin Auto. Co. install gasoline tank.

Communication from the Martin Automobile Company, requesting permission to install two 550 gal. gasoline tanks in front of their property at corner of North Avenue and Park Avenue. Referred to Fire & Buildings Committee.

File bond Amer. Surety Co. A.W. Vars City Engr.

Bond of the American Surety Company of New York concerning $5,000 on Mr. A. W. Vars, City Engineer, approved by the Acting Corporation Counsel, was presented and ordered filed.

File bond Amer. Surety Co. - A. J. Gavett Asst. City Engr.

Bond of the American Surety Company of New York concerning $5,000 on Mr. A. J. Gavett, Assistant City Engineer approved by the Acting Corporation Counsel, was presented and ordered filed.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER.

Mayors Communication returning budget resolution

Communication from his Honor, the Mayor, dated February 21, 1920, returning without his approval the resolution adopting the 1920 Budget, was presented, read and referred to the Finance Committee.

The Mayor's reasons and message are as follows:

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Veto

"Returned without approval. See Message attached hereto, dated Feb'y 21st. Specific objections detailed also in Message of February 16th.

Leighton Calkins, Mayor
Feb'y 21st, 1920."

SPECIAL MESSAGE NO. 28.
THE BUDGET

February 21st, 1920.

To the Common Council
of the City of Plainfield:

Mayor's Special Message No. 28 "The Budget"

I am obliged to return without approval the resolution of February 17th fixing the local budget for city purposes exclusive of schools at $572,855, which exceeds last year's budget by the large sum of $108,029.

There should be some compelling cause to justify so unprecedented an increase in taxes at a time when economic conditions are disturbed and abnormal. I am unable to find it in Council's support of certain appropriations, especially for the fire and street departments. It is quite true that the people are asking for better fire protection and better streets, but I suspect that they are at least open-minded as to the necessity of spending large additional sums for the purpose. There is more to the problem than that. The people are also asking for some relief from the burdens of taxation and for greater efficiency and economies in the conduct of public affairs.

We are already spending large amounts for streets and for fire protection, the appropriations for which have been increased more than for other departments. It would appear that Council assumes that the only way to better the service is to spend more money. Of course that is always the easiest way, but it is my conviction that we have not been getting a maximum of value in these departments and that liberal increases in appropriations should be withheld until we do.

The street department has not been wanting in technical knowledge, experience, conscientious purpose to get good results. But we have agreed in our discussions that it has needed vitalization. With this factor now supplied as we hope, there should be a marked improvement in conditions; and as the appropriation was increased last year from $60,000 to $80,000, an additional allowance of $10,000 this year would be liberal. It should not be overlooked that every mile of permanent pavement ought to reduce proportionately the cost of street maintenance; otherwise the investment is not justified.

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As for fire protection, proper training of the men would do more to relieve councilmanic committees of the responsibility they fear, in case of loss of life, than expensive apparatus designed to make good the deficiencies of the owners of buildings who are not made to comply with the law. It is unfair to the men in the department that they should not have proper instruction and training. Firemen should have precise knowledge of hazards, especially in the business section, acquired by regular fire prevention inspections. There should be classes of instruction conducted by the captains of squads, with competitive features; and the captains should get their training if necessary in the New York Schools. There is wholly unnecessary ignorance as to the location of hydrants. Through systematic inspections, firemen should become familiar with the location of fire escapes, doors, exists, gas and electric connections, and similar conditions in all buildings of importance and wherever there are fire hazards of special character. These things would do more to give the people the fire protection they are demanding than new apparatus where old will serve for a time. We should have the best modern apparatus when we can afford it, but there are other things more important and less costly.

To approve this budget would be to disavow all that I said on the subject in my last annual message, and in large measure also the purposes and accomplishments of the last five years in matters of taxation. That Council's attitude with respect to the budget this year was not that of rigid economy, but favored liberal appropriations, is fairly inferred from the fact that the budget as advertised exceeded that of last year by $133,000. It would not have been possible for Council immediately to reduce that amount by $25,000 if originally it had limited the estimates strictly to essentials; and its own revision of the figures was an open invitation to scrutinize the budget for a further saving. In my communication of February 16th I specified the details of such saving aggregating $33,000, which in my judgment can be made without impairment of service and in the interest of moderate taxation.

Elihu Root said recently, discussing the habit governments have acquired of spending money freely, that executives should stop urging and governing bodies should stop appropriating money for things which need not be done now, or need not be done so expensively, or need not be done at all. That seems to me to express the proper attitude of officials in these unsettled times with regard to

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public expenditures. The increasing cost of government is perhaps the most serious modern problem.

Nevertheless, in view of the fact that Council passed this budget without dissent it would be presumption to assert that my views are alone tenable. I can but state my convictions. I have no course but to advise as I deem expedient for the public welfare. My disapproval of a budget which imposes, as I believe, unnecessary taxatio will not interfere with your right to enact it, but will place the responsibility where it belongs.

LEIGHTON CALKINS
Mayor.

Communication from Mayor, transmitting notice from Board of Public Utility, regarding water supplied by Plainfield-Union Water Co.

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, transmitting copy of notice from the Board of Public Utility, relative to a Hearing at Newark on March 11th, regarding water supplied by the Plainfield Union Water Co., reading as follows:

March 1, 1920.

To the Common Council
of the City of Plainfield:

I transmit herewith copy of a Notice from the Board of Utility Commissioners, of a hearing in Newark on March 11th to determine whether the Plainfield Union Water Company furnishes adequate service and maintains its property in condition to do so. The water question came up last year and I appointed Mr. Ackerman, then Chairman of the Public Affairs Committee, to represent Plainfield on a general Committee of Union County officials, meeting in Elizabeth. His services should be retained this year, as he has familiarity with this matter. It is an important matter and should be referred either to the Public Affairs Committee of which Mr. Ackerman is a member again this year, or to a Special Water Committee. I think that the City should be represented at all hearings by Corporation Counsel, and whatever Committee is given charge of the matter.

LEIGHTON CALKINS
Mayor.

Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Communication from Mayor, appointing Regular Fireman

Communication from His Honor, the Mayor, covering appointment of O. R. Pearson, Jr., as a Regular Fireman, as and from June 1, 1917. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

File report of Tax Collector.

Report of the Tax Collector for month of February was read and ordered filed.

File report of Treasurer

Report of the Treasurer for month of February, was read and ordered filed.

File report of Bldg. Insp.

Report of the Building Inspector for month of February, was read and ordered filed.

File report of Overseer of Poor.

Report of the Overseer of the Poor for month of February, was read and ordered filed.

File report of City Clerk.

Report of the City Clerk for the month of February, was read and ordered filed.

Suspend Rules.

Councilman Ackerman moved that the regular order of business be suspended in order to receive bids for $416,000 of City Hall and Sewer bonds. So ordered.

File Affidavit of Publication

The clerk presented affidavit of publication of notice that the Council would receive bids for $416,000 of City Hall and Sewer Bonds, which was ordered received and filed.

Receive bids for $216,000 Sewer bonds and $200,000 City Hall Bonds.

The President stated that the hour had arrived to receive bids for the $416,000 of City Hall and Sewer Bonds as advertised, and that if there were any persons present desirous of submitting bids, they should now present them.

The Clerk reported two bids received.

The President asked if there were any others present desiring to submit bids, stating that no bids would be received after the clerk commenced to open the bids.

After ample opportunity had been given no other bids being presented, the President appointed Councilmen Maynard and Mills to assist the Clerk in opening the bids, which are as follows:

Bids

Plainfield Trust Co,	$216,697.68 for $216,000.	
	$200,646.00 for $200,000.	
B.J.VanIngen & Co.		
A. B. Leach & Co. Inc.	$ 50,000.00 for $ 50,000.	City Hall
	$ 50,000.00 for $ 50,000.	Sewer

Provided an option is granted on all or any part of the balance of both issues at par and interest for thirty days.

On motion the bids were referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Ackerman moved that the Council return to regular order of Business. So ordered.

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:-

Reconsider returned resolution adopting Budget

Reported back the resolution adopting the local budget for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 1920, which was adopted by this Council at meeting held February 17th, and returned without approval by his Honor, the Mayor, and moved that Council proceed to reconsider the said returned resolution.

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	1920 Appropriations	1919 Appropriations
1. Streets and Sewers Department	120340.00	101500.00
2. Police	54822.00	40000.00
3. Board of Health	15000.00	12600.00
4. City's Share of Improvements	30000.00	2500.00
5. Audit of City Books and Accounts	1150.00	850.00
6. Hospital	7500.00	5000.00
7. Publishing and Advertising	3000.00	2000.00
8. District Court	4156.00	3325.00
9. Rent		600.00
10. Contingent Expenses	10000.00	12000.00
11. Police Pension Fund	3000.00	2500.00
12. Insurance Premiums		325.00
13. Memorial Day	150.00	100.00
14. Tax Department	9800.00	9800.00
15. Building Inspector's Department	1650.00	1300.00
16. City Court	1850.00	1850.00
17. Salaries and Bonuses	17700.00	14330.00
18. Purchase City Storage Yard		8500.00
19. Interest on School Bonds	34115.00	27655.00
20. Interest on Sewer Bonds	34612.50	24288.00
21. Interest on Police Station Bonds	573.75	642.00
22. Interest on City Hall Bonds	10000.00	
23. Interest on Street Improvement Bonds	6390.00	7275.00
24. Interest on Fire Apparatus Bonds	300.00	350.00
25. Interest on Steam Roller Bonds	127.50	140.00
26. Notes due (Interest Deficiency)	100.00	2971.00
27. Interest on Notes	8200.25	3000.00
28. Principal on School Bonds	6000.00	6000.00
29. Principal on Sewer Bonds	11000.00	11000.00
30. Principal on Police Station Bonds	1500.00	1500.00
31. Principal on Street Improvement Bonds	13000.00	13000.00
32. Principal on Fire Apparatus Bonds	1000.00	1000.00
33. Sinking Fund	16310.00	32275.00
33.a Principal Steam Roller Bonds	500.00	
34. Public Library	12000.00	12000.00
35. Fire Department	88205.00	66000.00
36. Play Grounds Commission	1000.00	500.00

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37. Shade Tree Commission	2700.00	2400.00
38. Street Lighting	21000.00	20500.00
39. City Poor Fund	16303.00	13250.00
40. Research and Advisory Commission	1000.00	
41. Street Improvement Litigation	2500.00	
42. Liquor License Rebate	1800.00	
43. Memorial Tablet	2000.00	
44. Dental Clinic	500.00	
	$572855.00	$464826.00

Adopt resolution Local Budget

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, Lovell, James, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

STREETS & SEWERS BY COUNCILMAN McDONOUGH:

Offered the following resolution authorizing the Committee to advertise for proposals for materials and supplies:

Resolution Authorize Strut Committee to advertise for proposals for supplies and materials

RESOLVED, That the Committee on Streets and Sewers be authorized to advertise for proposals for the following materials and supplies for use in the Department of Streets and Sewers during the year 1920:

For furnishing and delivering the following materials for cold application to macadam pavements, viz:

Refined Coal Tar;

For furnishing and applying refined coal tar to macadam pavements;

Furnishing and delivering Tar Macadam Binder;

Furnishing and applying Tar Macadam Binder;

Furnishing and delivering Asphalt Macadam Binder;

Furnishing and delivering bituminous material for cold patching, macadam pavements.

Furnishing and delivering Crushed Trap Rock on various streets.

Furnishing and delivering Crushed Trap Rock on cars at City Yard.

Furnishing Crushed Trap Rock at quarry.

Furnishing and delivering Slag Grit at City Yard.

Furnishing and delivering "Lakewood" sand or equal at City Yard.

Furnishing and delivering Portland Cement, brooms, picks, shovels, hoes, stone forks, lanterns, lantern globes, cotton waste, stakes, provender for horses, stable supplies.

The above proposals to be received and opened by the Common Council at the regular meeting thereof to be held on March 15, 1920, at eight o'clock P.M.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills correct and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Reported back the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of O. R. Pearson, Jr., as a regular member of the Fire Department and offered the following resolution confirming the same:

Resolution - Regular Fireman

RESOLVED, That this Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

Oliver R. Pearson, Jr.

as a Regular Member of the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield, as and from June 1, 1917.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Grant petition install gasoline tank

Reported back for filing the application of E.T. Fingerhut, for permission to install a gasoline tank at 208 Watchung Avenue, and moved the same be granted. So ordered, upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant petition of Catherine Sharkey to move building

Reported back the application of Miss Catherine Sharkey, for permission to move a one story frame building from corner of Richmond Street and East Third Street, to 547 East Third Street, and moved same be granted upon the filing of a $500 bond with the Treasurer. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

File communication re Insp. of Bldg.

Reported back for filing the communication from Inspector of Buildings. So ordered.

Reported all bills correct and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

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PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

POLICE BY COUNCILMAN HULL:

Reported all bills correct and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN MILLS:

Reported bills correct and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN JAMES:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

No report.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

Reported all bills correct and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Recess to consider bids

On motion of Mr. Ackerman, which was duly seconded, a recess of fifteen minutes was ordered, to consider offer of bids on bonds.

Upon the Council reconvening, the following responde to roll call: Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovel McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Chairman Ackerman of the Finance Committee stated tht the Plainfield Trust Company was the highest bidder for the issue of bonds, and offered the following resolution accepting said bid:

Resolution accepting bid of Plainfield Trust Co. for $416,000 City Hall and Sewer Bonds.

WHEREAS, The Plainfield Trust Company, bidding $216,697.68 for Two Hundred Sixteen (216) Sewer Bonds of $1,000 each, is the highest bidder in response to advertisements for bids duly published pursuant to resolution of this Council adopted February 2, 1920;

AND WHEREAS, The Plainfield Trust Company, bidding $200,646.00 for Two Hundred (200) City Hall bonds of $1,000. each is the highest bidder

in response to advertisements for bids duly published pursuant to resolution of this Council adopted February 2, 1920;

RESOLVED, That said bid of the Plainfield Trust Company of $216,697.68 for 216 Sewer Bonds be and the same is, hereby accepted.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That said bid of the Plainfield Trust Company of $200,646.00 for 200 City Hall Bonds be, and the same hereby is, accepted.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the checks of the unsuccessful bidders of $216,000 Sewer Bonds and the $200,000 City Hall Bonds be returned to them by the City Treasurer.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Ackerman offered for first reading an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Relating to Taxes for the year Nineteen Hundred and Twenty" which was read, and is as follows:

I introduce Ordinance relating to taxes in the year Nineteen Hundred and Twenty"

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO TAXES FOR THE YEAR NINETEEN HUNDRED AND TWENTY

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

Be it ordained by the Common Council of the Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield that there shall be assessed, raised by taxation and collected for the fiscal year 1920, the sum of Six Hundred Seventy-six Thousand One Hundred and Sixty Dollars ($676,160.00) for the purpose of meeting the appropriations set forth in the following statement of resources and appropriations for the fiscal year 1920:

RESOURCES.

Surplus Revenue Appropriated		85,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	43,430.00	
State Railroad, Canal, Utility Corporation Gross Receipt Tax, Etc.	57,500.00	100,930.00

Amount to be raised by taxes (as stated in the adopted budget for 1920 for City purposes)		386,925.00
Additional amount to be raised by taxes: For Local School purposes, as certified according to law by the Board of School Estimate for use of the public schools of the school district comprising the City of Plainfield for the ensuing year, exclusive of any amount apportioned to it by the County Superintendent of Schools		289,235.00
Total Resourses:		
Surplus & Miscellaneous revenues	185,930.00	
To be raised by taxes	676,160.00	862,090.00
APPROPRIATIONS:		
Budget appropriations (Aggregate amount as fixed in the adopted budget for city purposes)	572,855.00	
Local Schools	289,235.00	
Total appropriations		$862,090.00

This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Give notice of intention to adopt ordinance March 9, 1920.

Councilman Ackerman moved that the Clerk give notice of publication in the official paper that it is the intention of the Council to pass the ordinance March 9, 1920. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Report back petition of Frank Linke and deny same.

Councilman Ackerman reported back the petition of Frank Linke for refund of liquor license and advised as follows:

"Chapter 158 Laws 345 provides that whenever the sale of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes shall be generally prohibited by law, any person holding such a license may surrender same, and shall thereupon become entitled to a refund of such portion of the fee paid as the unexpired term thereof at the time of such surrender bears to the whole period of said license. Therefore the petitioner is only entitled to a refund from the date he surrendered his

license, which this petition does not show was ever done."

Move that the petition be denied.

This motion was carried upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution on the death of Mrs. Condict:

Resolution on death of Mrs. Condict.

WHEREAS Mr. G. Herbert Condict one of the members of this body has been sorely stricken by the death of his wife; and

BE IT RESOLVED, That this Council hereby extends to Mr. Condict its sincere sympathy in this hour of trial, and trusts that the Comforter of the afflicted will grant him strength to bear his heavy loss; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be spread in full upon the minutes of this meeting, and that a copy of these preamble and resolution be forwarded to Mr. Condict.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills correct and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN JAMES:

Grant application Junk Licence M. Sandocroce.

Reported back application of M. Sandocroce, Junkman, for renewal and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant application Junk Licence J. Grolette

Reported back application of J. Grolette, Junkman, for renewal, and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant application Junk Licence V. Liscio

Reported back application of V. Liscio, Junkman, for renewal, and moved same be granted. So

ordered upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant application Junk License I. R. Srager.

Reported back application of I. R. Srager, Junkman, for renewal, and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant application Junk License H. Rosenthal

Reported back application of H. Rosenthal, Junkman, for renewal, and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, Namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant application Junk License G. Lurie

Reported back application of G. Lurie, Junkman, for renewal, and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant application Junk License Max Estrin

Reported back application of Max Estrin, Junkman, for renewal, and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, Lovell, James, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant application Auctioneer Wm A. Schorb & Co.

Reported back application of Wm. A. Schorb & Co. as Auctioneer, and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

AUDITING BY COUNCILMAN MILLS:

Reported all claims presented as correct, and offered the following resolution to pay the same:

Resolution Pay Claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:-

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of Officials and General Office Employees for the 2nd half of February 1920, amounting to	569.99
Claims appearing on the Contingent Expenses Appropriation Account dated March 1, 1920, amounting to	469.34
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Department for the 2nd half of February 1920, amounting to	45.84
Claims appearing on the Building Department Appropriation Account dated March 1, 1920, amounting to	8.25

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 2nd half of February, 1920, amounting to	70.83
Claims appearing on the City Court Appropriation Account, dated March 1, 1920, amounting to	3.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 2nd half of February 1920, amounting to	120.83
Claims appearing on the District Court Appropriation Account dated March 1, 1920, amounting to	24.22
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 2nd half of February 1920, amounting to	193.75
Claims appearing on the Tax Department Appropriation Account dated March 1, 1920, amounting to	5.95
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street & Sewer Department for the 2nd half of February 1920, amounting to	2557.56
Claims appearing on the Street & Sewer Department Appropriation Account dated March 1, 1920, amounting to	1008.27
Claims appearing on the Street Lighting Appropriation Account dated March 1, 1920 amounting to	1700.25
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the Capital Disbursements Appropriation Account dated March 1, 1920, amounting to (Park Avenue Widening)	50.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 2nd half of February 1920, amounting to	63.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 2nd half of February 1920, amounting to	1102.20
Claims appearing on the Police Department Appropriation Account dated March 1, 1920, amounting to	660.23
Claims appearing on the Police Pension Fund Appropriation Account dated March 1, 1920, amounting to	1000.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 2nd half of February 1920, amounting to	1982.78
Claims appearing on the Fire Department Appropriation Account dated March 1, 1920, amounting to	953.39
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 2nd half of February, 1920, amounting to	143.34

Claims appearing on the Poor Department Appropriation Account dated March 1, 1920 amounting to	857.26
Claims appearing on the Publishing and Advertising Appropriation Account dated March 1, 1920, amounting to	111.60
Claims appearing on the Interest on School Bonds Appropriation Account dated March 1, 1920, amounting to	2160.00
Claims appearing on the Interest on Street Improvement Bonds Appropriation Account, dated March 1, 1920, amounting to	337.50
Total - - -	$16199.38

This resolution was adoptedupon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

On motion, the meeting then adjourned.

John J Carroll

City Clerk.

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Tuesday Evening, march 9, 1920.

Special Meeting

Special meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Graves and Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, Maynard and Mills. Absent Councilmen Boyd, Condict and McDonough.

The Clerk read the following letter from President Graves calling a Special meeting of the Common Council, in connection with the Tax Ordinance:

Request

March 2, 1920.

Mr. John J. Carroll,
City Clerk,
Plainfield, N. J.
Dear Sir:-

Please call a special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield for Tuesday, March 9th, 1920, at 8 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of taking such action relative to the passage of the tax ordinance for 1920 as may be necessary.

Yours truly,
CHARLES C. GRAVES,
President.

The Clerk also stated that the following call had been sent out to each member of the Council:

Call

March 2, 1920.

Dear Sir:-

Pursuant to the written request of the President, a Special Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield will be held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Plainfield, N.J. at 8 o'clock p.m. Tuesday, the 9th day of March, 1920, for the purpose of taking such action relative to the passage of the tax ordinance for 1920, as may be necessary.

Yours truly,
JOHN J. CARROLL.

Affidavit of Publication

The Clerk produced affidavit of publication of notice of intention of Council to pass the Tax Ordinance which was ordered filed.

Chairman Ackerman, of the Finance Committee, called up on second reading the Tax Ordinance for 1920, which was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:

2nd Reading Tax Ordinance

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO TAXES FOR THE YEAR NINETEEN HUNDRED AND TWENTY.

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The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

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Additional amount to be raised by taxes: For Local School purposes, as certified according to law by the Board of School Estimate for use of the public schools of the school district comprising the City of Plainfield for the ensuing year, exclusive of any amount apportioned to it by the County Superintendent of Schools		289,235.00
Total Resources:		
Surplus & Miscellaneous revenues	185,930.00	
To be raised by taxes	676,160.00	862,090.00

APPROPRIATIONS

Budget appropriations (Aggregate amount as fixed in the adopted budget for city purposes)	572,855.00	
Local Schools	289,235.00	
Total Appropriations		$ 862,090.00

This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Adopt Tax Ordinance

Mr. Ackerman moved the adoption of the Tax Ordinance of 1920 on second reading and final passage. This motion was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

John J Carroll

City Clerk.

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Monday Evening, March 15, 1920.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present, President Graves and Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills. Absent, Councilmen Boyd and Condict.

Minutes of regular meeting of March 1st and special meeting of March 9th, were read and approved.

Suspend Rules

On motion of Mr. McDonough, seconded by Mr. Maynard, the regular order of business was suspended in order to receive bids for material and supplies for the Street Department, for 1920.

The President stated that the time had arrived for all those who wished to submit bids to do so.

Affidavit of Publication

The Clerk produced affidavit of publication of advertisement for supplies and materials as required by law, which was ordered filed.

The President asked Mr. James and Mr. Maynard to assist the Clerk in opening the bids.

Bids for materials and supplies Strut Dept

The Clerk reported 14 bids received, which are as follows:

J. D. LOIZEAUX LUMBER CO.

Sand, per ton	2.85
Cement, per barrel	2.85
Hardwood Stakes, per 100	5.00
Softwood Stakes	3.00
Slag Grit, per ton	1.80

F. R. UPTON

Sand, per ton	1.28

WATCHUNG STONE COMPANY

Sand, per ton	3.33
Cement, per bbl.	2.85
Slag Grit, per ton	1.90

THE BARRET COMPANY

Refined Coal Tar, Del. per gal.	.12½
Refined Coal Tar, Applied per gal.	.17
Tar Macadam Binder in bbls. Del. per gal.	.21
Tar Madacam Binder, Applied, per gal.	.17
Bituminous Material in bbls. Del. per gal.	.22½

NATIONAL HIGHWAY MATERIAL & EQUIPMENT CO.

Bass St. Brooms with handles, per doz	16.91
Large Picks (only) per doz	16.38
Square Point Shovels No. 3 (Ames) per doz	20.70
Long Handle Shovels, per doz	20.70
" " Scoop Shovels, per doz	26.45

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10" Hoes, 6' Handles, per doz.	15.82
Stone Forks, per doz	31.63
Pick Handles, per doz	5.75
Lanterns, Plain, Red	20.13
" No. 2, Blizzard, Green, per doz	20.13
Red Lantern Globes, per doz	2.41
Green " " " "	2.45
Cotton Waste, per lb	.21

F. A. KIRCH & COMPANY

Bass St. Brooms with handles per doz	21.00
Large Picks (only) per doz	18.00
Square Point Shovels No. 3, (Ames) per doz	24.00
Long Handle Shovels, per doz	24.00
Long Handle Scoop Shovels, per doz	24.00
10" Hoes 6' Handles	18.00
Stone Forks per doz	33.00
Pick Handles, per doz	5.00
Lanterns, Plain, Red, per doz.	12.00
" No, 2, Blizzard " "	30.00
Red Lantern Globes, per doz	6.00
Green " " " "	15.00
Cotton Waste, per lb	.30

A. M. GRIFFIN COMPANY

Bass Street Brooms with handles, per doz	21.10
Large Picks (only) per doz	18.00
Square Point Shovels No. 3, (Ames) per doz	24.00
Long Handle Shovels, per doz	24.50
Long Handle Scoop Shovels, per doz	26.75
10" Hoes, 6' Handles, per doz	18.40
Stone Forks	33.65
Pick Handles, per doz	5.25
Lanterns, Plain, Red, per doz	16.00
" No. 2. Blizzard, Greed, per doz	30.00
Red Lantern Globes, per doz	6.10
Green " " " "	15.00
Cotton Waste ...per.lb	.28

H. E. GAYLE HDE. CO.

Bass Street Brooms with Handles, per doz	27.00
Large Picks (only) per doz	18.00
Square Point Shovels No. 3 (Ames) per doz	27.00
Long Handle Shovels, per doz	27.00
Long Handle Scoop Shovels, per doz	31.80
10", 6' Handles per doz	18.00
Stone Forks, per doz	36.00
Pick Handles, per doz	6.00
Lanterns, Plain, Red, per doz	15.00
" No. 2, Blizzard, Green, per doz	24.00
Red Lantern Globes, per doz	6.00
Green " " " "	12.00
Cotton Waste, per lb	.27

UNION GRAIN COMPANY

Oats, per bag	2.50
Straw, per cwt	1.20
Hay, per ton	48.00
Molasses Feed, per bag	2.25

NATIONAL SLAG COMPANY
Slag Grit, per ton 1.50

EMANUEL SLAG COMPANY
Slag Grit, per ton 1.80

DUQUESUE SLAG PRODUCTS COMPANY
Slag Grit, per ton..... 1.80

BOUND BROOK CRUSHED STONE COMPANY
Binder Dust, per ton 1.70
Screenings, per ton 2.50
1/2 inch stone, per ton..... 3.05
1 inch stone, per ton..... 2.60
1-1/2 inch stone, per ton..... 2.50
2-1/2 inch stone, per ton 2.30

PLAINFIELD TRAP ROCK COMPANY
Binder Dust, per ton 2.40
Screenings, per ton..... 2.80
1/2 inch stone"..."..... 2.80
1 inch stone, per ton..... 2.60
1-1/2 inch stone, per ton..... 2.40
2 1/2 inch stone, per ton..... 2.30
Less 50¢ ton at quarry

The President stated if there were no objections, the bids would be referred to the Street and Sewer Committee.

Mr. McDonough moved that the Council return to the regular order of business.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Applications for Junkmans License

Applications from the following for Junkman's licenses were received:-

Nunzio DeFelippo	Louis Goldberg
Frank W. Pinn	Morris Lowitz
Samuel Kline	Hyman Brissel
Eli Bussel	

Referred to the License Committee.

Application Auctioneers License

Application of Robert Murray, for license as Auctioneer was received and referred to the LicenseCommittee.

Communication S. G. & S. G. Realty Co. w/ map Property Park Ave.

Communication from S. G. & S. G. Realty Company, together with map relative to tract of land owned by that Company on Park Avenue, was read, and referred to Street Committee.

Communication G Herbert Condict regarding floral offering

Communication from Mr. G. Herbert Condict, regarding floral offering presented by the Common Council, was read, and ordered filed.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER.

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Mayor's Comm. nomination regular fireman

Communication from his Honor, the Mayor, nominating G. H. Asay, Jr. as a regular fireman, from March 10th, 1920, was read, and referred to the Fire Committee.

Mayor's Communic. Special Police

Communication from his Honor, the Mayor, nominating E. Gould, as a Special Policeman, until January 1, 1920, was read, and referred to Police Committee.

Communication from Mayor returning ordinance re Tax Budget.

Communication from his Honor, the Mayor, returning Ordinance regarding the tax budget for 1920, was read and referred to Finance Committee.

File report clerk District Court

Report of the Clerk of the District Court for month of February, was read, and ordered filed.

Resignation G.H. Condict.

Communication from Mr. G. Herbert Condict tendering his resignation as a member of the Common Council, for reasons stated, was read, and referred to the Finance Committee.

Recess to re-consider Tax Ordinance

Chairman Ackerman, of the Finance Committee, offered motion that the Council take a recess for a few moments, in order to permit the members of the Council to consider the disapproval of the Tax Ordinance by his Honor, the Mayor, which was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Upon the Council reconvening, the following members responded to roll call:- Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Reconsider Tax Ordinance

Reported back the ordinance for 1920 taxes, which was adopted by the Council on March 9th, and returned by his Honor, the Mayor, without approval, and moved that the Council proceed to reconsider the said tax ordinance for 1920, which motion was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

The Mayor's reasons for returning said ordinance without his approval are as follows:

Reasons for vetoing ordinance

"For reasons which I have already stated in detail, in Special messages to the Common Council Nos. 27 and 28, dated respectively February 16th and February 21st, 1920, I herewith return without approval the above ordinance relating to taxes for the year 1920. It would be unnecessary repetition to note here my objections, as they are already a matter of record and on file in the office of the City Clerk.

March 13, 1920 LEIGHTON CAIKINS
Mayor"

Chairman Ackerman then moved the adoption of the Tax Ordinance for 1920, the Clerk reading the same, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO TAXES FOR THE YEAR NINETEEN HUNDRED AND TWENTY.

Tax Ordinance 1920

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

Be it ordained by the Common Council of the Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield that there shall be assessed, raised by taxation and collected for the fiscal year 1920, the sum of Six Hundred Seventy-six Thousand One Hundred and Sixty Dollars ($676,160.00) for the purpose of meeting the appropriations set forth in the following statement of resources and appropriations for the fiscal year 1920:

RESOURCES		
Surplus Revenue Appropriated		85,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	43,430.00	
State Railroad, Canal, Utility Corporation Gross Receipt Tax Etc.	57,500.00	100,930.00
Amount to be raised by taxes (as stated in the adopted budget for 1920 for City purposes)		386,925.00
Additional Amount to be raised by taxes: For Local School purposes as certified according to law by the Board of School Estimate for use of the public schools of the school district comprising the City of Plainfield for the ensuing year, exclusive of any amount apportioned to it by the County Superintendent of Schools		289,235.00
TOTAL RESOURCES:		
Surplus & Miscellaneous Revenues	185,930.00	
To be raised by taxes	676,160.00	862,090.00
APPROPRIATIONS		
Budget appropriations (Aggregate amount as fixed in the adopted budget for city purposes)	572,855.00	
Local Schools	289,235.00	
Total Appropriations		$ 862,090.00

This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

This ordinance was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen

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Adopt Ordinance

Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills correct and moved same be referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY ACTING CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Offered the following resolution authorizing the City Clerk to advertise for motor truck:

Resolution Advertise for motor truck for Sanitary St. dept.

RESOLVED, That the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to advertise in the Official Newspaper in the form prescribed by law for

One 3 - 3½ ton motor truck with combination dump and platform body and hydraulic hoist.

One Ford automobile with open business body.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves

Offered the following resolution to lease property belonging to City on South Avenue to Walter Temple:

Resolution lease property to Walter Temple

RESOLVED, That the property belonging to the City located on South avenue which was purchased from Charles H. and Anna Hand under deed dated January 7, 1919 be, and the same hereby is rented to Walter Temple, for a period of two months beginning April 1, 1920 at the rate of $83.34 per month; with the reservation that such portion of said property as may be determined between the said Temple and the City Engineer may be used by the City;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Corporation Counsel be, and he hereby is, directed to draw such papers as may be necessary in connection with this transaction.

In explanation of this proposed lease, Mr. McDonough stated that on account of the bad weather Mr. Temple had been unable to remove his property to his new yard, and therefore, requested permission to continue at the present location for two months, which the Committee stated they would recommend to the Council, the price to be at the rate of $1000 per year.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves

Reported bills correct. Referred to Auditing Committee.

File report Fire & Buildings Committee

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Presented report of the Fire & Buildings Committee in regard to placing John Hoffmeister in the Fire Department as a trialman, which was ordered filed.

Offered the following resolution ratifying the action of the Fire & Buildings Committee:

Resolution - Trialman

RESOLVED, That the action of the Committee on Fire & Buildings in placing Mr. John Hoffmeister on probationary duty in the Fire Department in the City of Plainfield on March 1, 1920 be, and the same hereby is, approved and ratified.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution authorizing sale of old horse belonging to the City:

Resolution authorizing sale of horse belonging to the City

RESOLVED, That the Chairman of the Fire and Buildings Committee be, and he hereby is, authorized to dispose of an old horse belonging to the City of Plainfield, formerly used in the Fire Department and now stabled at the City Poor Farm, after publicly offering the same.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported back nomination by his Honor, the Mayor, and offered the following resolution appointing G. H. Asay, Jr. a regular fireman:

Resolution - Regular Member Fire Department

RESOLVED, That this Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

GEORGE H. ASAY, Jr.

as a Regular Member of the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield, as and from March 10, 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported bills correct. Referred to Auditing Comm.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

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POLICE BY COUNCILMAN HULL:

Reported back nomination by his Honor, the Mayor, of Edward Gould, as Special Policeman and offered the following resolution confirming the same:

Resolution- Special Police Officer

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

EDWARD GOULD

as Special Policeman of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield, to serve until January 1, 1921, at such compensation and for such service as the Board of Police may from time to time fix and determine.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves,

Reported bills correct. Referred to Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN MILLS:

No report

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

Reported all bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN JAMES:

No report.

LAWS AND ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion about raising license fee

Mr. Force stated that his Honor, the Mayor, in his annual message, spoke about the revision of the license fee. Mr. Force suggested that the matter be taken up with view to advancing the fee.

Mr. Graves:

Most of the licenses have been granted for 1920.

Mr. Force:

Then I suggest that the matter be put in shape for next year.

Mr. Ackerman:

I would like to make inquiry as to whether or not this matter was not referred by the Chair to some Committee for attention.

City Clerk Carroll:

I do not think so.

Mr. Force:

I suggest that the Clerk secure the ordinance and read it at the next meeting, in order that some action may be taken upon it.

Mr. Ackerman:

The ordinance, or the message of his Honor, the Mayor?

Mr. Force:

I meant the ordinance. I suggest that it be read, and then referred to some Committee to revise and draft a new ordinance to advance the fee, if it is thought best. His Honor, the Mayor, recommended that it be done in his annual message.

President Graves:

I think the Chairman of the different committees might take it up with the Finance Committee and work it out together.

Mr. Force

What Committees duty would it be?

President Graves:

Princiaplly the License Committee; also the Police Department. They would have to take it up in conjunction with the Finance Committee.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE:BY CHAIRMAN MILLS:

Reported all bills correct and offered the following resolution authorizing payment of same:

Resolution Pay Claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of Officials and General Office Employees for the 1st half of March 1920, amounting to	569.99
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 1st half of March, 1920, amounting to	228.75
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 1st half of March, 1920, amounting to	70.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing	

on the pay roll of the District Court for the 1st half of March, 1920, amounting to	120.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Department for the 1st half of March 1920, amounting to	45.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street & Sewer Department for the 1st half of March, 1920, amounting to	2171.95
Claims appearing on the Interest on Sewer Bonds Appropriation Account dated March 15, 1920, amounting to	6375.00
Claims appearing on the Principal on Sewer Bonds Appropriation Account dated March 15, 1920, amounting to	5000.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Capital Disbursements Account for the 1st half of March 1920, amounting to (Permanent Pavement)	15.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Department for the 1st half of March 1920, amounting to	50.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 1st half of March, 1920, amounting to	1221.71
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 1st half of March, 1920 amounting to	1974.49
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 1st half of March, 1920, amounting to	143.34
Total	$ 17987.73

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

President Graves stated that the Chairman of the Public Affairs Committee would like to have a conference with the Council, in the Committee Room, upon adjournment. So ordered.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned.

City Clerk

Monday Evening, April 5, 1920.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council held this evening Present: President Graves and Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills. Absent, Councilman Condict.

Minutes of meeting of the Council held March 15th, were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Petition Samuel Schwartz to move building

Petition from Samuel Schwartz requesting permission to move a 2½ story frame building now at 209-211 East Front Street, to 339-331 East Front Street, was read, and referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Petition United Commercial Travelers, re. placing toilets in both stations

Petition was read from the United Commercial Travelers, Plainfield Council No. 2, requesting the Council to have toilets placed in both stations of the Railroad, for convenience of the traveling public. Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Communication J. G. Laurie & Co. place sign

Communication was read from J. A. Laurie & Co., requesting permission to place a sign in front of their store at 12 Madison Avenue. Referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Petition J. G. Bailey et als. improvements George Street

Petition by J. G. Bailey, et als, requesting following improvements on George Street, from Johnson Avenue to Terrill Road: Concrete curb and gutters; concrete side walks, macadamize carriage-way, was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Petition International Motor Co. install gasoline tank.

Petition from the International Motor Company requesting permission to install a 15,000 gallon gasoline tank upon their property, West Front Street, and keep 15,000 gallons of gasoline therein, was real, and referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Communication Wm. Newcorn re approval of tract land by Council

Communication from Wm. Newcorn, representing the American Development & Realty Company, requesting appropriate resolution by the Council covering approval of tract of land known as "Mountain Park tract", located in the City of Plainfield, was read, and referred to the Street & Sewer Committee.

Communication Samuel Schwartz approval of land by Council

Communication from Samuel Schwartz, advising of sale of property known as "Park Avenue tract" to the S. G. & S. Realty Co., and requesting approval by the Council, was read, and referred to the Street & Sewer Committee and also to the Finance Committee.

Communication Niles Bement Pond Co. install gasoline tank

Communication from the Niles-Bement-Pond Company requesting permission to install 1000 gal. tank on their property, was read, and referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Communication J.D. Loizeaux Lumber Co. requesting approval by Council of map.

Communication from the J. D. Loizeaux Company, requesting approval by the Council of map showing plot of land on Sachar Place, Plainfield, was read, and referred to the Street & Sewer Committee.

Petition Wm J. Willis et als requesting change in Taxi rates

Petition signed by Wm. J. Willis, et als, requesting a change in present ordinance, Sec. 10, covering Peddlers, Hackmen, etc., and suggesting new set of rates, etc., was read, and referred to the Police Committee.

File requisition by Treasurer Joint Meeting

Requisition of the Treasurer of the Joint Meeting, dated March 23, 1920, showing Plainfield's proportion as $2369.00, was read, and ordered filed.

Applications for Junkmens licenses

Applications for Junkmen's licenses from the following were read, and referred to License Committee:

Pazzy Martin
Max Michelson
Samuel Pinkus

File debt statement City Treasurer

Debt statement of the Treasurer, showing limit to be 3.7 was read, and ordered filed.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR OTHER CITY OFFICER

Communication from Mayor recommending payment of salaries to Policeman during illness

Communication from his Honor, the Mayor, recommending payment of salaries and bonuses to members of the Police Department, who were absent on account of sickness, as follows, was read:

H. Henry	119.63
J. Kelly	150.28
D. Dillon	138.42
T. Flatley	100.93
Chas. Wicht	258.82

Referred to Police Committee.

Communication from Mayor appointing regular fireman

Communication from his Honor, the Mayor, appointing Wm. L. Erber, as a regular fireman, from March 29, was read, and referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Communication J. Hoffmeister resigning as Fireman

Communication from J. Hoffmeister, tendering his resignation as a member of the Fire Department, as of April 1st, was read, and referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Communication J. Carroll resigning as Fireman

Communication from T. Carroll, tendering his resignation as a fireman, as of April 1st, was also read, and referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

File report of Tax Collector

Report of Tax Collector for month of March, was read, and ordered filed.

File report of Treasurer

Report of the Treasurer for month of March, was read, and ordered filed.

File report of City Engineer

Report of City Engineer, for month of March, was read, and ordered filed.

File report of Building Inspector

Report of the Building Inspector for month of March was read, and ordered filed.

File report of Engineer

Also report from Assistant Engineer, which was ordered filed.

File report City Clerk

Report of the City Clerk for month of March was read, and ordered filed.

File debt statement

City Treasurer presented debt statement showing the net debt of the City to be 3.7 of the average assessed valuation.

Communication Frederick A. Cranston permission to move building

Communication received from Frederick A. Cranston, requesting permission to move a barn on rear of property at 30-32 Woodbine Avenue, to the front of the avenue on the building line, and convert same into a dwelling, and upon being read was referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Suspend Rules

Following the above, Mr. McDonough moved that the regular order of business be suspended, for the purpose of receiving bids for new auto truck and Ford runabout. So ordered.

Bids to be received

The President stated that the hour had arrived to receive bids for the auto truck and Ford car.

File affidavit Publication

The Clerk produced affidavit of publication showing that advertisement for bids for auto truck and Ford car had been published according to law. The same was ordered filed.

The clerk reported five bids received.

The President asked if there were any others present desirous of submitting bids, stating that no bid would be received after the clerk commenced to open the bids.

There being no further bids presented, the President appointed Councilmen Boyd and James to assist the Clerk in opening the bids. The following presented bids:

Bids for Motor Truck and Ford Runabout

For Motor Truck

M. &. L. Auto Co. Inc.	$5265.00
Scull and Malone Motor Sales Co.	5663.02
Packard Motor Car Co. of N.Y.	5718.40
International Motor Co.	5569.00

For Ford Runabout

A. G. Belknap	$730.00

(Detailed bids on file in the office of the City Clerk)

The bids were referred to the Committee on Streets.

Recess taken to consider this so order may be placed tonight

Mr. McDonough moved that a recess be taken for the purpose of considering the price of the trucks, so that order for same may be placed tonight, and thus avoid delay, as the machines were urgently needed. So ordered.

Upon reconvening of Council, the following responded to roll call, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Mr. McDonough moved Council return to regular order of business. So ordered.

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Welcome to Mayor

Moved regular order of business be suspended in order to welcome back his Honor, the Mayor, and spoke a few words accordingly; in which President Graves concurred.

In reply, his Honor, the Mayor stated

"I thank Mr. Ackerman and members of the Council for going out of their way to express gratification for my health and return to business."

Reported back the resignation of Mr. Condict, and offered the following resolution;

Resolution accepting resignation of G. Herbert Condict

WHEREAS, G. Herbert Condict, Councilman from the Third Ward, is compelled to remain in Washington, D. C. in connection with government work for an indefinite period; and

WHEREAS, the said G. Herbert Condict feels that it is his duty to resign from the Council in order that the Third Ward may be actively represented.

BE IT RESOLVED That the resignation of G. Herbert Condict as a member of the Common Council from the Third Ward be, and the same hereby is, accepted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Council go on record as expressing its deep appreciation of the splendid services rendered to the City by Mr. Condict, and expressing its sincere regret in being compelled to loose the value of his services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of these preamble and resolution be forwarded to Mr. Condict.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Boyd, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution to borrow $2,000 for permanent paving purposes:

Resolution Borrow $2,000 Permanent Pavement

RESOLVED, That Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000) be borrowed for Permanent Pavement purposes (ordinance adopted by the Common Council May 2, 1919) in anticipation of the sale of bonds and collection of assessments and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute demand note on behalf of the City in said sum of Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000) at a rate of interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Boyd, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution authorizing the City Clerk to advertise for bids for coal:

Resolution direct City Clerk to adv. bids for coal.

RESOLVED, That the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to advertise in the form prescribed by law for bids for such quantities and sizes of coal as may be required for use by the City for the coming year.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, James, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREETS & SEWERS BY COUNCILMAN McDONOUGH:

Offered the following resolution rejecting the bid of M. & L. Auto Company:

Resolution reject bid of M. L. Auto Co.

RESOLVED, That the bid of the M. & L. Auto Co. for "Paige" dump truck be, and the same is, hereby rejected on the ground that said bid is not based on the advertised specifications.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution to accept bid of International Motor Company for truck:

Resolution accept bid of International Motor Co. for truck.

WHEREAS, International Motor Co. is the lowest responsible bidder in response to the legal notice calling for bids for furnishing a 3½ ton auto truck, and

WHEREAS The Common Council are of the

opinion that said bid is most advantageous to the City, and

WHEREAS due notice of the time, to wit: Monday the fifth day of April, 1920, at 8:30 o'clock P.M. when the Common Council would meet at their usual place of meeting to receive proposals in writing for furnishing a 3½ ton auto truck, was given as required by law;

BE IT RESOLVED that said bid of International Motor Co. be accepted and contract awarded to said bidder for the sum of $5,569.00.

RESOLVED FURTHER That upon said contract being duly executed by the said International Motor Co. the Mayor and City Clerk be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to sign and seal said contract on behalf of the City.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution accepting bid of A. G. Belknap for Ford runabout:

Resolution accept bid of A. G. Belknap for Ford runabout

WHEREAS, A. G. Belknap is the lowest responsible bidder in response to the legal notice calling for bids for furnishing a Ford runabout, and

WHEREAS The Common Council are of the opinion that said bid is most advantageous to the City, and

WHEREAS due notice of the time, to wit, Monday the fifth day of April, 1920, at 8:30 o'clock P.M. when the Common Council would meet at their usual place of meeting to receive proposals in writing for furnishing a Ford runabout, was given as required by law:

BE IT RESOLVED That said bid of A. G. Belknap be accepted and contract awarded to said bidder for the sum of $730.00.

RESOLVED FURTHER That upon said contract being duly executed by the said A. G. Belknap the Mayor and City Clerk be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to sign and seal said contract on behalf of the City.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported back bids for material and supplies and offered the following resolution concerning same:

WHEREAS, the following are the lowest bids received by the Common Council March 15, 1920, for supplying Materials and Supplies for use in the Street and Sewer Departments during the year 1920,

RESOLVED, That the said bids be, and they are hereby accepted:-

Resolution accept bids for materials and supplies for Street Department

NATIONAL HIGHWAY MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT COMPANY, TRENTON, N. J.

16 inch, 5 row, Bass Street Brooms with handles, per doz	$16.91
Large Picks (only) per doz	16.38
Square Point Shovels, No. 3, "Ames" or equal, per doz	20.70
Long Handle Shovels, per doz	20.70
10 inch Hoes, 6 ft. handles, per doz	15.82
Stone Forks, per doz	31.63
Lanterns, No. 2, Blizzard, Green, per doz	20.13
Cotton Waste, per lb	.21

F. A. KIRCH & CO., PLAINFIELD, N. J.

Long Handle Scoop Shovels, per doz	24.00
Pick Handles, per doz	5.00
Lanterns, Plain, Red, per doz	12.00

PLAINFIELD TRAP ROCK COMPANY, PLAINFIELD, N. J.

For Crushed Stone delivered at City Yard on South Avenue and between Grant Avenue and Berckman Street and as far south as Eighth Street:

Binder Dust, per ton of 2,000 lbs	2.40
Screenings, " " " " "	2.80
1/2 inch Stone " " " "	2.80
1 inch Stone, " " " "	2.60
1 1/2 inch Stone, " " " "	2.40
2 1/2 inch Stone, " " " "	2.30

Beyond these limits 10¢ per ton extra.

Deduct 50 cents per ton from above minimum prices for stone F.O.B.Quarry.

J. D. LOIZEAUX LUMBER COMPANY, PLAINFIELD, N. J.

First-class American Portland Cement, of some well known and reputable brand delivered on work where ordered, per barrel 2.85

WATCHUNG STONE COMPANY, PLAINFIELD, N. J.

First-class American Portland Cement, of some well known and reputable brand, delivered on work, where ordered, per barrel 2.85

J. D. LOIZEAUX LUMBER COMPANY, PLAINFIELD, N. J.

Surveyors' Hardwood Stakes, minimum dimensions 1-1/4" x 1-3/8" x 14", sharpened two ways, per 100 ..... 5.00

Surveyors' Softwood Stakes, minimum dimensions 7/8" x 1-1/2" x 14", sharpened one way, per 100 ..... 3.00

F. R. UPTON, NEWARK, N. J.

Lakewood Sand, or equal, in carload lots, per ton of 2,000 lbs..... 1.28

BARRETT COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY

Refined coal Tar for cold application to macadam pavements, in tank cars, f.o.b. Plainfield, per gal..... .12½

Refined Coal Tar, furnished and applied, cold, to macadam pavements, per gal., applied,..... .17

Tar Macadam Binder, furnished and applied hot to road-bed prepared by the City, per gallon applied, ... .17

Bituminous material for cold patching macadam pavements, in barrels, carload lots, per gallon, f.o.b. Plainfield, ... .22½

Tar Macadam Binderm in barrels, carload lots, per gal., f.o.b. Plainfield..... .21

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution employing H. Edwin Bush as engineering assistant:

Resolution employing Edwin Bush Engineering Assistant

RESOLVED: That H. Edwin Bush be and he is hereby appointed as an engineering assistant in the office of the City Engineer at a salary of one hundred seventy-five dollars, ($175.00) per month.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills presented correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Grant application Martin Auto. Co install gasoline tank

Reported back the application of the Martin Automobile Co. for permission to install two 550 gal. tanks for storing gasoline in front of their property at North and Park Avenues, and moved that application be granted. This motion was passed on

call of the roll all present voting in the affirmatively, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported back communication from his Honor, the Mayor, covering appointment of Wm. L. Erber, as a regular fireman, and offered the following resolution confirming same:

Resolution confirm appointment Regular Fireman

RESOLVED, That this Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

WILLIAM L. ERBER

as a Regular Member of the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield, as and from March 29, 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Re resignations Firemen

Reported back for filing resignations of Messrs. Carroll and Hoffmeister, as Firemen. So ordered.

Reported back application of S.Schwartz for permission to move a building from 209 to 339 East Front Street, and offered the following resolution:

Resolution grant petition Schwartz to move building

RESOLVED, That the petition of Samuel Schwartz et al for permission to move through East Front Street to 339 East Front Street, corner of Westervelt Avenue, frame building now on Lot 1, Block (110) as shown on City Map, be granted provided this resolution is approved by the Mayor and bond for $500.00 first given to the City in form approved by the Corporation Counsel. Said building not to remain on the street longer than one week.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN FORCE.

No report.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Reported back communication from his Honor, the Mayor, regarding payment of salaries and bonuses of following police-

men, who were absent from duty on account of sickness and offered the following resolution confirming said payments:

Resolution pay salaries during illness to Patrolmen

WHEREAS it appears by proper certification by the Chief of Police and the City Physician that the following patrolmen have been prevented by sickness from the performance of duty for the following periods, and that the Board of Police has recommended that they be paid the salaries and bonuses accruing during said periods:

RESOLVED that notwithstanding the absences from active duty of the following patrolmen for the following periods, such absences having been caused by illness, they be paid the following amounts being their regular salary payments and bonuses, if any, at the regular rates during said absences:

Harry Henry, Jan. 17th to Feb. 10th and Feb. 22d, 23d and 24th.....	$119.63
John Kelly, Jan. 27th to March 1st.....	150.28
Dennis Dillon, Feb. 7th to Mar. 15th	138.42
Thomas Flatley, Feb. 16th to March 6th.....	100.93
Chas. Wicht, Jan. 4th to 13th and Jan. 17th to March 1st.....	258.82

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, al present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills correct and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN MILLS:

Reported bills correct and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

Reported all bills presented correct and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN JAMES:

Grant Auctioneers license to Robert Murray.

Reported back application of Robert Murray for license as Auctioneer, and moved same be granted.

This motion was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant Junkmans license to Eli Bussell

Reported back application of Eli Bussel for Junkman's license, and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of

the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, James, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant Junkman's license to Nunzio DeFelippo

Reported back application of Nunzio DeFelippo for Junkman's license and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant Junkman's license to Louis Goldberg

Reported back application from Louis Goldberg for Junkman's license and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant Junkman's license to Frank Pinn

Reported back application of Frank Pinn for Junkman's license and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant Junkman's license to Morris Lowitz

Reported back application of Morris Lowitz for Junkman's license and move same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Boyd, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant Junkman's license to Samuel Cline

Reported back application of Samuel Cline for Junkman's license and move same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant Junkman's license to Hyman Bussell

Reported back application of Hyman Bussell for Junkman's license and move same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant Junkman's license to Pazzy Martin

Reported back application of Pazzy Martin for Junkman's license and move same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant Junkman's license to Max Michelson

Reported back application of Max Michelson for Junkman's license and move same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant Junkman's license to Samuel Pinkus

Reported back application of Samuel Pinkus for Junkman's license and move same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chairman Ackerman of the Finance Committee, offered the following resolution appointing Thomas F. Hylan as Councilman:

Resolution appointing Thomas F. Hylan, Councilman

RESOLVED, That Thomas F. Hylan be, and he hereby is, elected Councilman from the Third Ward to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of G. Herbert Condict, for the unexpired portion of the term of said G. Herbert Condict.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Lovell, James, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Councilman Ackerman commends firemen for work performed at fire at his brother's home.

Mr. Ackerman stated he had recently read an article in the paper entitled "Lest we forget", which brought to mind the fire in his brother's house today and the efficient work done by the Fire Department, and took occasion to commend the Firemen for their helpfulness in putting out the blaze, and thus saving the house, as well as remaining and helping to remove the water from the floors.

President Graves thanked Mr. Ackerman for his kind words in behalf of the Fire Department.

Chairman McDonough, also took occasion to thank Mr. Ackerman for his praise on behalf of the Fire Department and stated that it was, indeed, encouraging to hear such a report, which he felt the men deserved.

AUDITING COMMITTEE BY CHAIRMAN BOYD:

Reported all bills correct and offered the following resolution authorizing payment of same:

Resolution Pay Claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of Officials and General Office Employees for the 2nd half of March 1920, amounting to	569.99
Claims appearing on the Contingent Expenses Appropriation Account, dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	1426.26
Claims appearing on the Publishing and Advertising Appropriation Account, dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	238.59
Claims appearing on the General Payment of Notes Appropriation Account (Receipts from	

sale of Bonds and Budget Appropriation for City share of improvements), dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	446600.00
Claims appearing on the Interest on School Bonds Appropriation Account, dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	1100.00
Claims appearing on the Interest on Steam Roller Bonds Appropriation Account, dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	70.00
Claims appearing on the Principal on Steam Roller Bonds Appropriation Account dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	500.00
Claims appearing on the Interest on Sewer Bonds Appropriation Account, dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	4970.00
Claims appearing on the Principal on Sewer Bonds Appropriation Account, dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	2000.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 2nd half of March, 1920, amounting to	228.75
Claims appearing on the Tax Department Appropriation Account, dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	1.70
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Department for the 2nd half of March, 1920, amounting to	45.84
Claims appearing on the Building Department Appropriation Account, dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	.80
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 2nd half of March, 1920, amounting to	70.83
Claims appearing on the City Court Appropriation Account dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	3.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 2nd half of March, 1920, amounting to	143.01
Claims appearing on the District Court Appropriation Account, dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	15.65
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street & Sewer Department for the 2nd half of March, 1920, amounting to	2851.32
Claims appearing on the Street & Sewer Department Appropriation Account, dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	3939.87
Claims appearing on the Street Lighting Appropriation Account, dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	1701.29
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Department for the 2nd half of March, 1920, amounting to	98.00
Claims appearing on the Shade Tree Department Appropriation Account dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	1.55

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 2nd half of March, 1920, amounting to	1996.29
Claims appearing on the Police Department Appropriation Account dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	137.62
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 2nd half of March, 1920, amounting to	1949.88
Claims appearing on the Fire Department Appropriation Account dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	4526.87
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 2nd half of March, amounting to	143.34
Claims appearing on the Poor Department Appropriation Account, dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	2042.88
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Captial Disbursements Appropriation Account for the 2nd half of March, 1920, amounting to	133.63
Claims appearing on the Capitol Disbursements Appropriation Account, dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	1157.77
Claims appearing on the Interest on Notes Appropriation Account, dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	7257.01
Claims appearing on the City Share of Improvements Appropriation Account, dated April 5, 1920, amounting to	2801.62
Total	$488723.36

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Conference in Mayor's office after adjournment

President Graves stated that upon adjournment, his Honor, the Mayor, desired to confer with the members of the Council in his office for a few moments.

President Graves extended an invitation to Mr. Reed and Mr. Boyd to say a few words to the Council about their trips, if they so desired.

Mr. Boyd tells of his trip south, also that he is glad to be back and ready to do his part in work of Council.

Mr. Boyd responded, and after speaking a moment concerning his trip, stated he was glad to be back on the job, and would endeavor to fulfill his duties as Councilman to the best of his ability, and requested assistance from other members, inasmuch as, in comparison with some of the other members, he was new, and would need their held.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

City Clerk.

Monday Evening, April 19, 1920.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present: President Graves and Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, McDonough, Maynard and Mills. Absent, Councilman Lovell.

Minutes of regular meeting held April 5, 1920, were read and approved.

Mr. Lovell came in while the minutes were being read.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Applications for Junkman's License

Applications were received from the following, for Junkman's license:

P. Bernstein
J. S. Haskard (3 applications)

and referred to License Committee.

Petition J. O. Scholle improvements St. Mark's Place.

Petition signed by J. O. Scholle and others, requesting concrete curbing and gutters, sidewalks and macadamizing of the driveway St. Mark's Place, was read and referred to the Street & Sewer Committee.

Communication G. Herbert Condict

Communication of April 10th was received from G. Herbert Condict, thanking the Council for kind expression contained in resolution accepting his resignation as a member of the Council. Ordered filed.

Communication J. Sachar for pumping station sewer Sachar Pl.

Communication was received from J. Sachar and others, requesting the installation of a pumping station and sewer on Sachar Place. Referred to the Street & Sewer Committee.

Communication Monday Afternoon Club. Sale of milk

Communication was received from the Monday Afternoon Club, petitioning the City to take action to safeguard the production of milk for sale within the City, and cited case of the Bronson Dairy Farm, where unsanitary conditions had been found, etc. Referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Petition East End Civic Assn requesting improvements in Netherwood section

Petition was received from the East End Civic Association, requesting certain improvements in matter of storm sewer, sidewalks and curbing in the Netherwood section. Referred to the Street & Sewer Committee.

Communication J. Schwartz re approval of map.

Communication was received from J. J. Schwartz, Inc., requesting approval of map covering the Stillman Estate, bounded by Grant, Plainfield, Sherman and Stillman Avenues, in order that same may be duly filed. Referred to the Street and Sewer Committee.

File contract between City and A.G. Belknap.

Copy of contract between A. G. Belknap and the City, covering the purchase of a Ford runabout, was presented, same having been duly executed by both parties. Ordered filed.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR OTHER CITY OFFICER

Communication from Mayor transmitting report of Board of Police

Communication was received from his Honor, the Mayor, transmitting report of the Board of Police, and recommending payment of $79.73 to Arthur N. McGinley, Patrolman, who was off duty on account of sickness from March 2nd to 22nd. Referred to the Police Committee.

File report Clerk District Court

Report of the Clerk of the District Court for the month of March was read, and ordered filed.

File quarterly report City Judge

Quarterly report of the City Judge, for quarter ending March 31st, was read and ordered filed.

File report Overseer of Poor.

Report received from Overseer of the Poor for the month of March. Ordered filed.

Thos. F. Hylan appointed to serve on Council Committees

President Graves stated that it was very gratifying that Mr. Hylan had consented to return to the Council and take up the task that Mr. Condict was compelled to lay down, and he, therefore, desired to appoint Mr. Hylan to serve on the Committees which Mr. Condict formerly served upon, to-wit:

Finance Committee
Chairman Street & Sewer Committee
Police Committee
Fire & Buildings Committee

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Resolution employing Edith Bohl as stenographer

Offered the following resolution employing Edith Bohl as stenographer in the office of the Tax Collector:

> RESOLVED, That Edith Bohl be, and she hereby is, employed by the month as Stenographer and Clerk in the Tax Department, at the rate of $86.66 per month.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills correct, and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET & SEWERS BY CHAIRMAN HYLAN:

Offered the following resolution, to advertise for

for bids for resurfacing Park Avenue:

Resolution advertise bids for resurfacing Park Avenue

RESOLVED, That the City Clerk be and he hereby is, directed to give notice by advertisement in the official newspaper in the form required by law that the Common Council will, on Monday, May 3, 1920, at 8:30 p.m., at the City Hall, Plainfield, receive bids for resurfacing with bituminous macadam portions of Park Avenue between Ninth Street and the southerly City Line in accordance with contract and specifications entitled "Proposal, Specifications, Contract and Bond for Resurfacing Park Avenue from Ninth Street to the City Line, April 1920.", prepared by the City Engineer and filed in the office of the City Clerk on April 19, 1920, which form of contract and specifications for the work above referred to, are hereby approved and adopted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the funds necessary to carry out the above described work be paid for from the Budget Appropriation for the Street and Sewer Department for the year 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution to advertise for bids for the construction of concrete sidewalks and curbs:

Resolution advertise bids for construction of concrete side walks and curbs.

RESOLVED, That the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to give notice in the Official Newspaper in form prescribed by law, that bids will be received by the Common Council in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 8:15 P. M. Monday, May 3, 1920, for constructing concrete sidewalks and curbs on various streets in the City, in accordance with the provisions of a resolution of the Common Council approved July 17, 1917; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That form of contract for the above work prepared by the City Engineer and filed in the office of the City Clerk on April 19, 1920, be, and the same hereby is, approved.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution to refer to Street Committee the proposals for sale of foundation of garbage crematory:

Resolution - refer sale of stone in foundation of old garbage crematory to Street Committee with power.

WHEREAS, proposals have been received for the purchase of stone in the foundation of the old garbage crematory on DeKalb Avenue property now owned by the City of Plainfield, the highest offer being Fifty Dollars ($50).

RESOLVED, that the matter of disposing of said stone be referred to the Street Committee with power.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

File petition S. Sabino

Reported back for filing the petition of S. Sabino and others dated March 1st, asking the Council to macadamize St. Mary's Avenue, Watson Avenue, and a portion of George Stree and offered the following resolution authorizing the Committee on Streets to prepare specifications, etc.:

Resolution authorizing Street Committee to have prepare necessary engineering data etc for macadamizing St. Mary's Ave. Watson Ave and George St.

RESOLVED, That the Committee on Streets be and they are hereby authorized to have prepared the necessary engineering data, specifications and contract and ordinances for improving St. Mary's Avenue by macadamizing the same from curb to curb; Watson Avenue by constructing concrete curbs and gutters along both curb lines and macadamizing the carriageway thereof for its entire width, and George Street, from Johnston Avenue to Geneva Place, by constructing concrete curbs and gutters along both curb lines, macadamizing the unpaved portion of the carriageway of said street and resurfacing the existing macadam where necessary, all in accordance with petitions by abutting property owners for the performance of said work, received by the City Clerk on March 1st, 1920 and April 2d, 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilman Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

File petition of N. F. Gilligan for extension of time

Reported back an ancient petition from Hugh F. Gilligan, dated November 25, 1919, requesting an extension of time covering work to be done in 1919, which was granted, and recommended it be filed.

Report back petitions, etc. S.G.S. Realty Co., Loizeaux Lumber, American Development Co

Reported back plans and petitions of the S. G. & S. Realty Company, the Loizeaux Lumber Company, and the American Development Company, together with the following explanation for returning the maps without approval, which the Clerk read:

April 16, 1920.

Report from St. Street and Sewer Committee explaining reasons for returning maps and petitions without approval.

To the Common Council
of the City of Plainfield,

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Streets and Sewers begs to report back without their approval the application of the S. G. & S. Realty Co. Inc., for the approval of a certain map submitted by them entitled "Map of Park Avenue Tract located in the City of Plainfield, Union County, New Jersey and Township of Piscataway, Middlesex County, N. J., July, 1919," owned and developed by S. G. & S. Realty Co., 5 Beekman Street, New York City.

We have disapproved of this map for the following reasons: The streets are all narrow, being only 50 feet in width. The lots are nearly all shallow, many of them being only 100 feet deep. We feel that this will result in undue congestion when the tract becomes closely built up.

There are at least five "dead end" streets, which could be avoided. In fact, the entire lay-out seems to be designed solely for the purpose of securing the greatest number of building lots from a given area, without considering the effect of the street lay-out on the general city plan. Your Committee fears that the approval of maps laid out without regard to the proper development of a general plan of the City will, in time, produce undesirable conditions which can only be remedied at great expense and inconvenience, if at all.

While the approval of a map does not carry with it the acceptance by the City of the streets laid down thereon, such approval seems to imply some sort of an obligation which might lead this or some future Council to accept streets which they would otherwise unquestionably reject.

Your Committee believes that it should be made the established policy of the City to approve or accept no street less than 60 feet wide, except in extraordinary cases.

We likewise return without our approval the petition of American Development and Realty Company for the approval of map entitled "Revised Map of Mountain Park, City of Plainfield, Union County, N. J., December, 1919" owned and developed by the American Development and Realty Company, M. Abrams, Agent, 229 West Front Street, Plainfield.

Our reasons for the disapproval of this map are similar to those stated in the previous case, namely, the streets are only 50 feet wide, most of the lots are only 100 feet deep, and, while the street arrangement is not as bad as that on the map previously referred to in this report, it presents certain features which we consider unde-

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sirable from the standpoint of the general good of the City.

We likewise return without our approval the petition of the J. D. Loizeaux Lumber Co. for the acceptance of map entitled "Map of building lots situated on Sachar Place, City of Plainfield, N. J., Nov. 12, 1917."

This is a matter which has been before the Council, in some form, previous to this time. This street is located in a section below the level of our sanitary sewer system, which means that all sewage originating there must be pumped at the City's expense. At the time this development was proposed, the owners of the property affected were advised that the City could not take the responsibility for a situation of this kind and your committee does not believe that it would be wise to do so now.

Respectfully submitted,
THOS. F. HYLAN
Committee on Streets and Sewers.

Return maps unapproved

Mr. Hylan moved that the maps be returned unapproved, and the applications declined. Motion seconded and adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Return petition J. Lowrie & Co to erect sign

Returned petition of J. Lowrie & Company for permission to erect a sign in front of their property on Madison Avenue, unapproved, and suggest that Mr. Lowrie be directed to take up with the Street & Sewer Committee and secure advice as to the kind of sign which will be approved. The Clerk was instructed to notify the petitioner accordingly.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN MCDONOUGH:

Reconsider motion granting permission to install gas tank Martin Automobile Co.

Stated that at a meeting of the Council a permit was granted to the Martin Automobile Company for permission to install two 550 gallon tanks for storage of gasoline, on Park Avenue, and moved that the motion be reconsidered. This motion was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, Lovell, James, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Refer petition of Martin Automobile Co. back to Fire & Buildings Committee

Mr. McDonough then moved that the petition of the Martin Automobile Company be referred back to the Fire & Buildings Committee. This motion was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hyll, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution directing the N. Y. Telephone Co. to move telephone of W. F. Townley:

Authorize N.Y. Telephone Co. to move telephone to W.F. Townley's residence

RESOLVED, that the New York Telephone Co. be and is hereby authorized to move the telephone, Plainfield 1300, in the residence of Mr. W. F. Townley, from 202 W. 2nd St. to 235 E. 2nd St., at the regular service connection charge, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be and is hereby empowered to sign the telephone company's regular form of application for the removal.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution directing N. Y. Telephone Company to move telephone form 235 East 2nd St. to 235-A East 2nd Street:

Authorize N.Y. Telephone Co to move telephone from 235 E. 2nd St to 235-A E. 2nd St.

RESOLVED That the New York Telephone Co. be and is hereby authorized to move the telephone, Plainfield 1300, from 235 E. 2nd St. to 235-A E. 2nd St., Plainfield, listed in the name of Mr. W. F. Townley, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be and is hereby empowered to sign the Company's regular form of application for the removal at the regular charge for service connection.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution increasing the salary of S. M. Staats:

Resolution increase salary S. M. Staats

RESOLVED, That the wages of S, M. Staats, Clerk in the Fire Department be, and the same hereby are, fixed at $52.50 per month as and from January 1, 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution increasing the salary of J. F. Pearsall:

Resolution increase salary J. F. Pearsall

RESOLVED, That the wages of J. F. Pearsall, Electrician of the Fire Department, be, and the same hereby are, fixed at $150.00 per month as and from January 1, 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, James, Hylan, Hull, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution directing the N. Y. Telephone to install telephone in residence of J. F. Pearsall:

Resolution authorize N.Y. Telephone to install telephone residence J. F. Pearsall.

RESOLVED that the New York Telephone Company be and is hereby authorized to install individual line telephone service in the residence of J. F. Pearsall, 1257 E. 2nd St., Plainfield, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be and is hereby empowered to sign the Company's regular form of application for such service at the regular charge for rental and service connection.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, Mc Donough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant petition F.A. Cranston to move building

Reported back for filing, the application of F. A. Cranston, covering the moving of a building on his property on Woodbine Avenue, and moved that same be granted. This motion was carried upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant petition Niles-Bement-Pond Co. to install gas. tank.

Reported back for filing the petition of the Niles-Bement-Pond Company for permission to install 5 1000 gal. tanks on their property, for the storage of oil, and moved same be granted.

#0 This resolution was carried upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Force, Boyd, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant petition International Motor Co. to install gasoline tank

Reported back for filing, the petition of the International Motor Company for permission to install a 15,000 gal. gasoline tank on their property, and moved same be granted. #0 This resolution was carried upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, Lovell, James, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills correct. Referred to the Auditing Committee.

(1) 444 RESOLVED, That the application of the Niles-Bement-Pond Company to install underground between their Second Street building and the curb, five 1000 gallon oil tanks be, and the same hereby is, granted, upon condition that such tanks be installed and maintained in accordance with the law and ordinances on that subject and the right of the City to revoke this permission at any time.

(2) 444 RESOLVED, That the application of the International Motor Company to install a 15,000 gallon gasoline tank on their property at a point about 175 feet from West Front Street be, and the same hereby is, granted, upon condition that said tank be installed and maintained in accordance with the provisions of the law and ordinance on the subject, and subject to the right of the City to revoke this permission at any time.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

POLICE BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Reported back communication from his Honor, the Mayor, and offered the following resolution authorizing the payment of salary during illness to Patrolman Arthur N. McGinley:

Resolution recommending payment of salary during illness to Patrolman Arthur Mc Ginley.

WHEREAS, it appears by proper certification by the Chief of Police and the City Physician that Patrolman Arthur N. McGinley has been prevented by illness from the performance of duty from March 2d to March 22d, 1920, inclusive, and that the Board of Police recommends that he be paid the salary accruing during said period:

RESOLVED, that notwithstanding the absence from active duty of Patrolman Arthur N. McGinley from March 2d to March 22d, 1920, inclusive, he be paid the sum of $79.73, being pay at the regular rate during said absence.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills correct, and moved same be referred to the Auditing Committee.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN MILLS:

No report.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

Reported all bills correct, and moved same be referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN JAMES:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

No report.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN BOYD:

Reported all bills presented correct and offered the following resolution authorizing payment of same:

Resolution Pay Claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:-

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of Officials and General Office Employees for the 1st half of April 1920, amounting to	$569.99
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 1st half of April, 1920, amounting to	228.75
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 1st half of April, 1920, amounting to	145.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 1st half of April, 1920, amounting to	70.83
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Department for the 1st half of April, 1920, amounting to	45.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street & Sewer Department for the 1st half of April 1920, amounting to	2315.66
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Capital Disbursements Account for the 1st half of April, 1920, amounting to	108.88
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Department for the 1st half of April 1920, amounting to	50.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 1st half of April 1920, amounting to	1437.43
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 1st half of April 1920, amounting to	1850.22
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 1st half of April 1920, amounting to	124.32
Claims appearing on the Assessment Trust Fund Account dated April 19, 1920, amounting to	27112.29
Total	$34060.04

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

There being no further business, on motion, meeting adjourned.

John Kanell

City Clerk.

Monday Evening, May 3d, 1920.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present: President Graves and Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills. Absent, Councilman Hull.

Minutes of regular meeting held April 19th, 1920, were read and approved.

Rules Suspended

On motion of Mr. Hylan , seconded by Mr. Ackerman, the regular order of business was suspended in order to receive bids for concrete sidewalks, curbing, and excavating.

Receive bids Construction concrete sidewalks & curbs.

The President stated that the time had arrived to receive bids for construction of concrete sidewalks, etc., as advertised and that if there were any persons present desirous of submitting bids, they should deposit such bids on the Clerk's desk; stating that no bids would be received after the Clerk commenced to open the bids.

Affidavit of Publication

.....The Clerk produced affidavit of publication of advertisement for concrete sidewalks, etc., as required by law, which was ordered filed.

.....The Clerk reported two bids received.

After ample opportunity had been given, no one else submitting bids, the President appointed Councilmen Maynard and Mills to assist the Clerk in opening the bids received, which are as follows:

Bids

LOUIS DI FRONCESCO
Concrete sidewalks, four (4) inches thick, per square foot, complete $0.36
Six (6) inch by twenty (20) inch concrete curbs, per linear foot 1.00
Excavation about finished grade, per cubic yard 2.00

CHARLES A. PETERSON
Concrete sidewalks, four (4) inches thick, per square foot, complete .....$ .30
Six (6) inch by twenty (20) inch concrete curbs, per linear foot, ...$ .62
Excavation above finished grade, per cubic yard .....$ .50

Bids referred to Street & Sewer Committee

The President stated, if there were no objections, the bids would be referred to the Street and Sewer Committee.

Suspend Rules

On motion of Mr. Hylan, seconded by Mr. Ackerman, the regular order of business was further suspended in order to receive bids for the bituminous re-surfacing of that portion of Park Avenue which lies between Ninth street and the City Line, as advertised.

Receive bids resurfacing portion Park Avenue

The President stated that the time had arrived to receive bids for resurfacing portion of Park Avenue, as advertised, and that if there were any persons present desirous of submitting bids, they should deposit such bids on the clerk's desk; stating that no bids would be received after the Clerk commenced to open the bids.

Affidavit of Publication filed

The Clerk presented affidavit of publication of advertisement for resurfacing Park Avenue, as required by law, which was ordered filed.

The Clerk reported one bid received.

After ample opportunity had been given, no one else submitting bids, the President appointed Councilmen Maynard and Mills to assist the Clerk in opening the bid received, which is as follows:

Bid

JOSEPH F. BURKE CO.,
For scarifying roadway, preparing foundation and constructing bituminous macadam surface, as herein specified, complete, per square yard $1.65

For furnishing, delivering, spreading and rolling extra crushed stone, as specified, per ton 4.50

Refer bid to Street and Sewer Committee

The President stated if there were no objections, the bids would be referred to the Street and Sewer Committee.

Mr. Hylan moved that the Council return to the regular order of business.

Suspend Rule 39

On motion of Mr. Maynard, seconded by Mr. Hylan, Rule 39 was suspended.

On motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Maynard, the regular order of business was suspended in order to receive bids for coal.

Affidavit of Publication filed

The Clerk produced affidavit of publication of advertisement for coal, as required by law, which was ordered filed.

Receive bids for coal

The President stated that the time had arrived to receive bids for coal, as advertised, and if there were any persons present desirous of submitting bids, they should deposit such bids on the Clerk's desk, stating that no bids would be received after the Clerk commenced to open the bids.

The Clerk reported no bids received.

No bids received return to regular order of business

On motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Force, the Council returned to the regular order of business.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Petition Geo. J. Finger re Public Park at Tiers Pond

Petition of George J. Finger, and others, in reference to a public park at Tier's Pond, was read and referred to the Committee on Public Affairs.

Petition - Clarence C. Rocap re imp. portion Myrtle Ave.

Petition received by Mr. Force from Clarence C. Rocap regarding improved portion of Myrtle Avenue, request for street light, etc., which was read and referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Comm. Park Com. North Plfd. re acquisition of property

Communication was received from the Park Committee of North Plainfield, in reference to acquisition of property by both North Plainfield and Plainfield, etc., was read and referred to the Finance Committee, and also to work in conjunction with the Committee on Public Affairs.

File insurance policy on Ford car

Insurance policy for $730.00 covering Ford Runabout automobile was read, and ordered filed.

Petition Wm. H. Kirch re building permit

Petition was received from Wm. H. Kirch in re building permit to erect building on corner of Madison Avenue and Second Street, was read, and referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Communication United Commercial Travelers Assn. re Public Park Tiers Pond.

Communication was received from Alfred S. Olmstead, Chairman of Committee of United Commercial Travelers' Association, Plainfield Branch, in reference to acquiring property at Tier's Pond for public park purposes, was read and referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Communication Homan G. Kerr re install tank

Communication was received from Homan G. Kerr, on behalf of the Storage Battery Service Company for permission to install a 500 gallon gasoline tank at 215 East 4th Street, which was read and referred to the Police Committee.

Petition Frank Snappello imp. George Street

Petition was received from Frank Snappello, and others, requesting improvements on George Street, was read, and referred to the Committee on Streets and Sewers.

Communication Plfd. Mothers Assn. re milk conditions

Resolution was received from the Plainfield Mother's Association, in reference to milk conditions, which was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Communication Public Library re amt. needed for 1920

Communication was received from the Public Library in reference to amount needed for the year 1920, which was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Petition Emil Beys refund taxes erroneously paid

Petition from Emil Beys was received, in reference to refund of money alleged by him to have been erroneously paid to the City for taxes, which was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Petition Edwin J. O'Brien re City take over St. Marks Place

Petition was received from Edwin J. O'Brien, and others, in reference to having St. Mark's Place taken over by the City, which was read and referred to the Committee on Streets & Sewers.

Petition Queen City Garage install gasoline tank

Petition Queen City Garage for permission to install a gasoline tank at 209 East Fifth St. which was read and referred to the Police Committee.

Petition E. 7th St Garage install gasoline tank

Petition was received from the East Seventh Street Garage to install a 504 gallon gasoline tank at 527 East Seventh Street which was read and referred to the Police Committee.

Petition J. A. Lowrie & Co. retain showcase in front of store

Petition was received J. A. Lowrie & Co., for permission to retain their showcase at #12 Madison Avenue, which was read and referred to the Committee on Streets and Sewers.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER.

Report Auditors year 1919

Report of the Auditors for 1919, was read, and referred to the Finance Committee.

File report Overseer of Poor - April

Report of the Overseer of the Poor for the month of April was presented, read and ordered filed.

File report Tax Collector - April

Report of the Tax Collector for the month of April was presented, read and ordered filed.

File report Bldg Inspector - April

Report of the Building Inspector for the month of April, was presented, read and ordered filed.

File report Treasurer

Report of the Treasurer for the Month of April, 1920, was presented, read and ordered filed.

File Supplemental Dept. Statement

Supplemental Debt Statement of the Treasurer as of May 3, 1920, was presented, read and ordered filed.

File report City Clerk - April

Report of the City Clerk for the month of April, 1920, was presented, read and ordered filed.

File report City Engr.

Report re sale of stone from foundation of crematory and old concrete from sewage disposal plant

Report of the City Engineer for the month of April, together with report of sale of stone in foundation of old garbage crematory and sale of old concrete from sewage disposal plant at Rock Avenue was presented, read and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Offered the following resolution to borrow $20,000.00 in anticipation of the collection of taxes:

Resolution borrow $20,000. in anticipation collection of taxes

RESOLVED, That Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000.00) be borrowed in anticipation of the collection of taxes and that the Mayor and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute in the name of the City note, or notes, in said sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000.00) payable on demand at interest not to exceed 6%.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Refer report of North Plainfield Park Com. to Public Affairs Committee

Suggested that the Report of the North Plainfield Park Commission be, for the moment, referred to the Public Affairs Committee. Which suggestion was followed by the President, and the matter was referred to the Committee on Public Affairs.

Reported all bills correct, and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee.

All members attend Finance Committee meeting

Requested all members to attend the Finance Committee meeting held on Friday night.

STREETS & SEWERS BY CHAIRMAN HYLAN:

Reported all bills correct, and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Refuse application of Martin Auto Co. to install gasoline tank on Park Av. near North on account of reasons to cause would cause congestion of traffic

Reported back application of Martin Automobile Company for permission to install a tank on Park Avenue near the corner of North Avenue and moved that the same be not granted, with the statement: "The Committee has gone over this matter carefully, and they came to a decision that to install a gasoline tank so that an automobile would have to stand there and get gas, would cause congestion on account of its being so near the corner of North Avenue. Therefore, I move it be not granted." This motion was seconded by Mr. James, and after explanation by Mr. McDonough, in answer to Mr. Hylan's interrogation, the motion not to grant was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution authorizing the Plainfield-Union Water Company to install hydrants:

Resolution directing Plainfield-Union Water Co. to install hydrants.

RESOLVED, That in pursuance of the public requirements which the Common Council hereby adjudge and determine do exist, the Common Council hereby directs hydrants to be erected by the

PLAINFIELD-UNION WATER COMPANY

on extensions of the mains or pipes of said Company, as hereinafter specified; that the Common Council hereby requests said Company to make the required extensions to said mains or pipes, provide the necessary valves and other appurtenances; and the City hereby agrees to pay for said bydrants the sum of $15.00 per year, per hydrant.

The hydrants above referred to are to be as follows:-

1 - Two-way Hydrant at the northeast corner of Randolph Road and Madison Avenue.

1 - Two-Way Hydrant on Woodland Avenue midway between Central Street and Putnam Avenue.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution directing the City Clerk to advertise for bids for a new Fire Engine:

Resolution adv. bids for new Fire Engine

RESOLVED, That the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to advertise in the Official Newspaper in the form prescribed by law, for one fire engine in accordance with specifications to be furnished him by the Fire and Buildings Committee.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills correct, and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

File Petition United Travelers' Assn re lavatory C.R.R. Station

Reported back for filing, the petition of the United Commercial Travelers' Association, in re lavatory facilities at North Avenue Station, and stated that after a talk with the General Passenger Agent of the Central R. R. of New Jersey, he was informed that the Railroad would maintain the lavatory as well as they can at the present time, having been somewhat hampered by the taking over by the Government of all the Railroads at a time when they contemplated making the improvements desired, and will very probably take care of the situation in the near future. Recommended that the City Clerk communicate with the United Travelers' Association, to that effect. So ordered.

Copy of communication of Monday Afternoon Club be sent to Bd. of Health

Reported back communication received from the Monday Afternoon Club, with a recommendation that a copy of same be sent to Dr. Murray, President of the Board of Health, for their consideration. The matter was so referred by the President.

POLICE COMMITTEE BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

Reported all bills correct and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN MILLS:

Reported all bills correct and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

Reported all bills correct, and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN JAMES:

Grant application P. Bernstein for Junkman's license

Reported back application of P. Bernstein for Junkman's license and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant application J. S. Haskard for Junkman's license wagon #1

Reported back application of J. S. Haskard for Junkman's license for wagon #1 and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant application J. S. Haskard for Junkman's license wagon #2

Reported back application of J. S. Haskard for Junkman's license for wagon #2 and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Grant application J. S. Haskard for Junkman's license wagon #3

Reported back application of J. S. Haskard for Junkman's license for wagon #3 and moved same be granted. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Upon inquiry by Mr. Ackerman in reference to the disposition of the letter received from the Public Library,

Communication Public Library

regarding the $12,000.00 needed by the latter, he was informed by the City Clerk that that is the identical sum appropriated in the present budget for their needs. The City Clerk stated he would write a letter to the Public Library Officials to that effect.

Introduce amendment to Dog Ordinance

Mr. James offered an amendment to an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Concerning Dogs," and moved the same be read by the Clerk. The Clerk then read the proposed amendment which is as follows:

Amendment to an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Concerning Dogs" approved May 3, 1909 as amended by ordinance approved June 20, 1910.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

Section 1. That Section 2 of said ordinance be and is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 2. The City Clerk of the City of Plainfield is hereby authorized to issue such license in the name of the Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield to any person applying therefor in writing and paying a license fee of five dollars, which license when so issued shall be valid and remain in force only until the 20th day of May next following the issuing thereof.

Section 2. That Section 4 of said ordinance be and is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 4. Any person or association in the City of Plainfield owning five or more dogs which are kept for breeding, show or sporting purposes may obtain a kennel license, which shall entitle the holder thereof to establish and maintain within said City a kennel for the purpose of keeping dogs for breeding, show and sporting purposes. Such license shall be issued by the City Clerk upon a written application signed by such person or association which shall set forth the place of residence of the applicant, the place where such dogs are to be kept and the breed of such dogs. All licenses issued pursuant to such applications shall have plainly writte or printed upon them the words "Kennel License," and shall set forth the facts stated in the application. Kennel licenses shall be valid and remain in force only until the 20th day of May next following the issuing thereof. There shall be attached to the collar of each dog kept pursuant to a kennel license, the tag required by this ordinance, each of which tags shall bear the number of such license. Such license shall be issued upon the payment of a license fee of twenty-five dollars and in addition thereto there shall be paid to the

City Clerk for each tag provided by him the sum of twenty-five cents. All provisions of other sections of this ordinance not in conflict with the provisions of this section shall apply to any and all dogs kept pursuant to a kennel license. The license fee of twenty-five dollars required by this section shall be in lieu of any license fee otherwise provided for by this ordinance.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Upon the explanation of Mr. James that this was to rid the city of the surplus stray dogs, which have caused the Mayor and Police Department numerous complaints, it was moved by Mr. James, and seconded by Mr. Mills that the Clerk be directed to give notice through the official newspaper, that it is the intention of the Common Council to adopt the ordinance in substantially the form as read, on May 17th, 1920. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Introduce Building Code Ordinance

Mr. McDonough introduced "Building Code Ordinance" of the City of Plainfield and moved it be read. Mr. McDonough moved, seconded by Mr. James, that the Ordinance be printed. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Letter of appreciation to be sent to Mr. Gordon for his services as stenographer to Council

Mr. Ackerman offered the following suggestion: "Mr. President, I know we have not the services of Mr. Gordon; I understand he has left us, due primarily to the fact he could not find a house in which to live. I would be very much pleased if the Clerk would write to him and say we miss him, and, while he was with us but a little while, we appreciated his work and the cheerfulness under which he undertook it. I think he is a very estimable man, and should be so communicated with."

Which the Clerk was directed, by the President, to do.

Recess

Upon motion of Mr. Hylan, seconded by Mr. Ackerman, a recess of fifteen minutes was declared upon roll call, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reconvene

The Council reconvened at 9:30 p.m.; the following responding to roll call, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Mr. Hylan offered the following resolution to accept bid of Charles A. Peterson, Esq., for constructing concrete walks:

Resolution accept bid of Charles A. Peterson for constructing concrete sidewalks and curbs.

WHEREAS, CHARLES A. PETERSON is the lowest responsible bidder in response to the legal notice calling for bids for constructing concrete sidewalks in the City of Plainfield, and

WHEREAS, the Common Council is of the opinion that said bid is most advantageous to the City, and

WHEREAS, due notice of the time, to wit, Monday, the 3rd day of May, 1920, at 8:15 o'clock p.m. when the Common Council would meet at their usual usual place of meeting to receive proposals in writing for constructing concrete sidewalks in the City of Plainfield, was given as required by law,

BE IT RESOLVED, that said bid of CHARLES A. PETERSON be accepted and contract awarded to said bidder for the sum of $0.30 per square foot for sidewalk, $0.62 per linear foot for curb and $0.50 for excavation above finished grade.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon said contract being duly executed by the said CHARLES A. PETERSON, the Mayor and City Clerk be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to sign and seal said contract on behalf of the City.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Mr. Hylan offered the following resolution to accept the bid of Joseph F. Burke Company for re-surfacing of Park Avenue:

Resolution accept bid of Joseph F. Burke Company for re-surfacing portion of Park Avenue

WHEREAS, JOSEPH F. BURKE COMPANY, is the lowest responsible bidder in response to the legal notice calling for bids for resurfacing with bituminous macadam portions of Park Avenue between Ninth Street and the City line, and

WHEREAS, the Common Council is of the opinion that said bid is most advantageous to the City, and

WHEREAS due notice of the time, to wit, Monday, the 3rd day of May, 1920, at 8:30 o'clock p. m. when the Common Council would meet at their usual place of meeting to receive proposals in writing for resurfacing with bituminous macadam portions of Park Avenue between Ninth Street and the City line, was given as required by law,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the said bid of JOSEPH F. BURKE COMPANY be accepted and contract awarded to said bidder for the sums of $1.65 per square yard resurfacing and $4.50 per ton for extra crushed stone.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon said contract being duly executed by the said JOSEPH F. BURKE COMPANY, the Mayor and City Clerk be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to sign and seal said contract on behalf of the City.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

File bids

Mr. Hylan reported back for filing, the respective bids received in the above matters. So ordered.

Refuse petition - J. Lowrie to retain showcase.

Mr. Hylan reported back, without, approval, the request of the J. A. Lowrie Company for permission to retain their showcase at number twelve Madison Avenue, and moved it be filed. So ordered.

Mr. Hylan then moved that the City Clerk be instructed to notify Mr. Lowrie that the Common Council refuses his request. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN BOYD::

Reported all bills presented as correct, and offered the following resolution authorizing payment of same:

Resolution Pay Claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of Officials and General Office Employees for the 2nd half of April 1920, amounting to	$569.99
Claims appearing on the Contingent Expenses Appropriation Account dated May 3, 1920, amounting to	2636.10
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 2nd half of April 1920, amounting to	228.75
Claims appearing on the Tax Department Appropriation Account dated May 3, 1920, amounting to	11.10
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Department for the 2nd half of April 1920, amounting to	45.84

Claims appearing on the Building Department Appropriation Account dated May 3, 1920, amounting to	6.24
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 2nd half of April 1920, amounting to	220.83
Claims appearing on the District Court Appropriation Account dated May 3, 1920, amounting to	.30
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 2nd half of April 1920, amounting to	70.83
Claims appearing on the City Court Appropriation Account dated May 3, 1920, amounting to	3.65
Claims appearing on the Interest on Notes Appropriation Account dated May 3, 1920, amounting to	159.08
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street & Sewer Department for the 2nd half of April 1920, amounting to	2391.54
Claims appearing on the Street & Sewer Department Appropriation Account dated May 3, 1920, amounting to	2013.62
Claims appearing on the Street Lighting Appropriation Account dated May 3, 1920, amounting to	1693.35
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the Captial Disbursements Appropriation Account for the 2nd half of April 1920, amounting to	70.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 2nd half of April 1920, amounting to	33.75
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 2nd half of April 1920, amounting to	1331.12
Claims appearing on the Police Department Appropriation Account dated May 3, 1920, amounting to	336.10
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 2nd half of April, 1920, amounting to	1910.14
Claims appearing on the Fire Department Appropriation Account dated May 3, 1920, amounting to	662.79
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 2nd half of April 1920, amounting to	124.32
Claims appearing on the Poor Department appropriation Account dated May 3, 1920, amounting to	943.10
Total	$ 15462.54

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, Mc Donough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Meeting of Public Affairs Committee

Mr. Force, Chairman of the Public Affairs Committee made the announcement that on Friday night there would be a meeting of the Public Affairs Committee, to which he invited all other members of the Council, to consider the matter of the report submitted by the North Plainfield Committee regarding Tier's Pond.

Inspection of Street Lights by Committee

Mr. Hylan called the attention of Mr. Mills, Chairman of the Lighting Committee, that in very many cases the street lights are away below the proper candle power and requested that he go over the streets and notice the lamps which are not in shape.

Adjourn

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Hylan, the meeting adjourned.

John J. Carroll

City Clerk.

Plainfield, Monday Evening, May 17, 1920.

Regular Meeting

Regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present: President Graves, and Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and Hull.

Minutes of regular meeting held May 3d, 1920, were read and approved.

Suspend Rules

On motion of Mr. McDonough, seconded by Mr. Maynard, the regular order of business was suspended in order to receive bids for new fire apparatus.

The President stated that the time had arrived to receive bids for a new fire apparatus, as advertised, and that if there were any persons present desirous of submitting bids, they should deposit such bids on the Clerk's desk; stating that no bids would be received after the Clerk commenced to open the bids.

Affidavit of Publication

The Clerk produced affidavit of publication of advertisement for Six Cylinder Combination Pumping and Hose Motor Car, which was ordered filed.

The Clerk reported one bid received.

Receive bid for pumping engine and hose motor car.

After ample opportunity had been given no one else submitting bids, the President appointed Councilmen Mills and Lovell to assist the Clerk in opening the bid received, which is as follows:

AMERICAN-LaFRANCE FIRE ENGINE COMPANY, Inc.

One (1) type 12, 1000 gallon Triple Combination Pumping Engine (f.o.b. cars, Plainfield, N.J.) $12,500.

The President stated if there were no objections, the bids would be referred to the Fire and Buildings Committee.

On motion of Mr. McDonough, seconded by Mr. Hylan, the regular order of business was resumed, by the Council.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Communication West End Civic Assn favoring report adopted by Park Committee of North Plainfield to develop Sycamore Ave. for park purposes

Communication from the West End Civic Association to the City Council, favoring the recommendation of the Park Committee of the Borough of North Plainfield to develop that portion of the City and Borough along Green Brook, West of Sycamore Avenue, for park purposes, was read, and referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Petition Century-Plainfield Tire Co. install gasoline tank

Petition of the Century-Plainfield Tire Company, asking permission to instal a gasoline tank, etc, was read and referred to the Police Committee.

Communication G.A.R. inviting Common Council & mayor to take part in parade.

Communication from the Winfield-Scott Post number three, extending invitation to members of the City Council, and his Honor, the Mayor, to attend the Memorial Day Services of the Post on the 30th and 31st days of May, was read and ordered filed; the President suggesting that as many members as conveniently could, take advantage of the invitation.

File Bond-Amer. Surety Co. - Frank M. Dunham

Bond of the American Surety Company of New York, covering Frank M. Dunham, Esq., Assistant to Collector of Taxes, in the sum of $5,000.00, was read, and ordered filed.

File Ins. policy - steam roller.

Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company (on steam roller) policy for $10,000.00, policy #97796, was read, and ordered filed.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER:

Communication from Mayor - Pound-keeper.

Communication from the Mayor, nominating William Kitchen as Poundkeeper, was read and referred to the Police Committee.

Communication from Mayor - Special Police (Home Defense)

Communication from his Honor, the Mayor, nominating George E. Leighs and Samuel F. Sabocher as Special Policemen was read and referred to the Police Committee.

File report Clerk of District Court

Report of the Clerk of the District Court for the month of April, was read and ordered filed.

File Report Comrs Bd of Assessors.

Report of the Commissioners (Board of Assessors) awarding damages for lands, etc., on Watchung Avenue, under the Ordinance entitled "Improvement Ordinance No. 201" was read and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Presented contract between the Board of Governors of Muhlenberg Hospital and the Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield and offered the following resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the contract on behalf of the City:

Resolution authorizing Mayor and City Clerk to execute contract

RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute in the name of the City the contract dated April 16th, 1920 between Muhlenberg Hospital and the City, already executed by the Hospital and presented to the Common Council at this meeting. Said contract provides for the care of indigent poor of the City who may be sent to said hospital during the year 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution employing Bowers and Suffern to put into effect the suggestions recommended in their audit of the City of Plainfield for the year 1919:

Resolution employing Bowers & Suffern to put into effect recommendations in their audit of 1919.

RESOLVED, That Bowers & Suffern be, and they hereby are, employed to supervise putting into effect the suggestions recommended in their audit of the City of Plainfield for the year 1919 at a cost of $75.00, and also to check the entire list of open items on the books of the Tax Collector for the several years prior to 1917 at a cost of $15.00 per day for time spent by accountants on the work and $30.00 per day for such time as may be spent by the members of the firm of Bowers & Suffern in supervising the said work; all of the above work to be done in accordance with the details set forth in letter of Bowers and Suffern to the Chairman of the Finance Committee dated May 4th, 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution employing Bowers & Suffern to audit the books of the City of Plainfield for the year 1920 for the sum of $2400.00:

Resolution employing Bowers & Suffern to audit books for 1920

RESOLVED, That Bowers and Suffern be, and they hereby are, employed to audit the books and accounts of the City of Plainfield for the year 1920 in accordance with the details set out in a letter of Bowers & Suffern addressed to the City Clerk and delivered to him May 10, 1920, for the sum of $2400.00.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution fixing the hours of the Tax Collector's Office during the months of May and June, and November and December:

Resolution fixing hours in the Tax Collector's office

WHEREAS, the hours during which the City offices are regularly open for the transaction of business with the public are from 9 a.m. to 5 p. m. on all business days except Saturday, when they close at noon.

AND WHEREAS, because of the constantly

growing volume of business transacted in the office of the Collector of Taxes during the semi-annual rush seasons, it is no longer possible for the Collector to receive taxes after 3 p.m. during the months of May and June and November and December and at the same time perform the other business and duties of the office.

THEREFORE for the purpose of assisting the Collector in systematizing the transaction of his business

RESOLVED that hereafter and until otherwise by resolution directed, the office of the Collector of Taxes may be open for the receipt of taxes and the like (otherwise than by mail) during the months of May and June, and November and December, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and on business days only, except that on Saturday it shall close at noon; and that notice to that effect shall be prominently placed in the Collector's office;

RESOLVED FURTHER that the Collector be and is hereby requested to comply in practice with the foregoing resolution.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, after discussion; those voting in the affirmative being Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves. Those Voting in the negative being Councilmen James and Lovell.

Offered the following resolution establishing a Dog Pound on the premises at #74 Everett Place:

Resolution - establishing dog Pound

RESOLVED that the Common Council does hereby establish a Pound on the premises at

74 EVERETT PLACE

such Pound to be used for the impounding and disposition of dogs under the circumstances and in the manner provided by the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Concerning Dogs", approved May 3, 1909, as amended.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, Lovell, James, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills he had a chance to look over were correct, and requested permission to have same referred to Auditing Committee later.

STREETS & SEWERS BY CHAIRMAN HYLAN:

Offered the following resolution requesting the Board of Chosen Freeholders to cause proper bridges to be constructed to carry Cedar Brook across George Street:

Resolution authorizing Bd. of Freeholders to cause proper bridges to be constructed to carry Cedar Brook across George Street

WHEREAS, The City of Plainfield is about to improve George Street and Hill Street, and the existing pipes which are designed to carry Cedar Brook across George Street are inadequate for the purpose and no means is now provided for carrying said Cedar Brook across Hill Street, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union be and they are hereby requested to cause proper bridges to be constructed to carry said Cedar Brook across George Street between Hill Street and Johnston Avenue and across Hill Street between George Street and Saint Mary's Avenue in the City of Plainfield.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills correct and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN McDONOUGH:

Reported all bills correct, and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

Re communication from Plainfield Committee of Public Affairs Committee

Reported back communication from the North Plainfield Committee, relative to Tier's Pond, together with report of this Committee, and offered the following resolution approving the recommendation of the Public Affairs Committee:

Resolution approving report Public Affairs Committee regarding Tiers Pond

RESOLVED, That the recommendations of the Public Affairs Committee as contained in their report on the Tiers Pond matter made to this Council on this date be, and are, hereby approved, and that a certified copy of the said report and of this resolution be forwarded to the Clerk of the Borough of North Plainfield by the City Clerk.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

File petition Chas. E. Herring Rel. Tiers Pond

Reported back for filing the petition of Charles E. Herring and others, relative to Tiers Pond, and requested to have it filed, notifying the petitioner of its disposition. So ordered.

File petition and communication United Commercial Travelers of Amer.

Reported back for filing petition and communication from the United Commercial Travelers of America, relative to improving property along Green Brook, and also Tier's Pond. So ordered.

POLICE COMMITTEE BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Reported back the nomination of William Kitchen for Poundkeeper, by his Honor, the Mayor, and offered the following resolution confirming said nomination:

Resolution confirming appointment of Poundkeeper

> RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of
>
> WILLIAM KITCHEN
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> as Poundkeeper, under and pursuant to the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Concerning Dogs", approved May 3, 1909, as amended, to serve during the pleasure of the Common Council.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, McDonough, Maynard, James, Lovell, Mills and President Graves.

Reported back the nomination by his Honor, the Mayor, of George E. Leighs and Samuel F, Sabocher as Special Police Officers, and offered the following resolution confirming said nomination:

Resolution confirming appointment Special Police (Horse Defense)

> RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of
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> GEORGE E. LEIGHS
> SAMUEL F. SABOCHER
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> as Special Policemen of the Police Force of the City of Plainfield to serve until January 1, 1921, without pay, and for such service as the Mayor or Board of Police may fix and determine; said persons having agreed to accept such appointment.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

File petition Queen City Garage for gasoline tank

Reported back application of the Queen City Garage (John DeForest) for permission to install a gasoline tank and pump, together with the recommendation by the Police Board, and offered the following resolution granting said application:

Resolution - grant permission to Queen City Garage to install gasoline tank

RESOLVED that permission is hereby granted to John DeForest to install a gas tank under the sidewalk in front of his premises No. 209 East Fifth Street, Plainfield, N. J. and to erect a pump at the curb connected with said tank, provided however that this permission is granted and accepted upon the express condition that said tank shall be installed and maintained in strict accordance with the provisions of "An Ordinance regulating the storage and handling of volatile liquids", and that all permissions hereby granted are revocable at any time by resolution of the Common Council at its discretion and from the date of adoption of such resolution the maintenance of such tank or pump shall be unlawful, and the same shall at once be removed by the owner thereof; provided further that nothing in this permit shall be construed to permit the injury or removal of any shade tree, without the consent of the Shade Tree Commission first had and obtained.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

File petition Storage Battery Service Co.

Reported back application of the Storage Battery Service Company (Homer G. Vawter, Manager), for permission to install gasoline tank and pump, together with the recommendation by the Police Board, and offered the following resolution granting said application:

Resolution - grant application Storage Battery Service Co to install gasoline tank.

RESOLVED that permission is hereby granted to Homer Vawter to install a 500 gallon gas tank under the sidewalk in front of his premises No. 215 East Fourth Street, Plainfield, N. J. and to erect a pump at the curb connected with said tank provided however that this permission is granted and accepted upon the express condition that said tank shall be installed and maintained in strict accordance with the provisions of "An Ordinance regulating the storage and handling of volatile liquids", and that all permissions hereby granted are revocable at any time by resolution of the Common Council at its discretion and from the date of adoption of such resolution the maintenance of such tank or pump shall be unlawful, and the same shall at once be removed by the owner thereof; provided further that nothing in this permit shall be construed to permit the injury or removal of any shade tree, without the consent of the Shade Tree Commission first had and obtained.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

File petition E. 7th Street garage to install gasoline tank

Reported back application of the East Seventh Street Garage (James Toney, Proprietor), for permission to install a gasoline tank and pump, together with the recommendation by the Police Board, and offered the following resolution granting said application:

Resolution - grant application to install gasoline tank

> RESOLVED that permission is hereby granted to James Toney to install a 500 gallon gas tank under the sidewalk in front of his premises No. 527 East Seventh Street, Plainfield, N. J. and to erect a pump at the curb connected with said tank, provided however that this permission is granted and accepted upon the express condition that said tank shall be installed and maintained in strict accordance with the provisions of "An Ordinance regulating the storage and handling of volatile liquids", and that all permissions hereby granted are revocable at any time by resolution of the Common Council at its discretion and from the date of adoption of such resolution the maintenance of such tank or pump shall be unlawful, and the same shall at once be removed by the owner thereof; provided further that nothing in this permit shall be construed to permit the injury or removal of any shade tree, without the consent of the Shade Tree Commission first had and obtained.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills correct, and movedthey be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN MILLS:

File petition F. T. Woodhull et al. install street light.

Reported back petition of F. T. Woodhull et als, for electric lights on Stelle Avenue between Kenyon Avenue and Arlington Avenue, and moved same be filed. Offered the following resolution directing the Public Service Co, to install one 32 candle power lamp on Stelle Avenue:

Resolution - Install light Arlington Avenue

> RESOLVED, That the Public Service Company be, and it hereby is, directed to install one 32 candle power lamp on Stelle Avenue between Kenyon Avenue and Arlington Avenue at such point as shall be designated by the Street Lighting Committee.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

File petition A. H. Seals for street light

Reported back for filing petition of A. H. Seals for a street light at corner of Randolph Road and Arlington Avenue

and offered the following resolution directing the Public Service Co. to install light at said corner:

Resolution - instal street light corner Arlington Ave and Randolph Road

RESOLVED, that the Public Service Electric Company be, and it hereby is, directed to install one 32 candle power lamp at the corner of Arlington Avenue and Randolph Road as shall be designated by the Street Lighting Committee.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard and Mills and President Graves.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

Offered the following resolution appropriating $50.00 to cover the expenses of the Overseer of the Poor in attending the Annual Conference of the N. J. State Association of Overseers of the Poor:

Resolution appropriating $50 for expenses of Overseer of Poor to attend conference

RESOLVED, That $50.00 be appropriated out of the funds provided for the Poor Department in the 1920 Tax Ordinance to cover the expenses of the Overseer of the Poor in attending the Annual Conference of the New Jersey State Association of Overseers of the Poor.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, McDonough Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills correct, and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN JAMES:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

No report.

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN

Reported all bills correct, and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

File communications from West End Civic Assn. regarding Park along Green Brook

Mr. Force, Chairman of the Public Affairs Committee, referred back the communication from the West End Civic Association relative to the action of North Plainfield, requesting the City's cooperation in reference to developing that portion of the City and Borough along Green Brook West of Sycamore Avenue, for park purposes, to be filed; and requested the Clerk to notify them as to what action had been taken, already on the matter. Ordered filed, and Clerk requested to comply with Mr. Force's wish.

NEW BUSINESS

Hearing on Ordinance to Amend Dog license fee

The President, Mr. Graves, announced that the matter of the proposed amendment to the Dog Ordinance, increasing the license fee, would be taken up and addressed the Council, and such members of the general public as were present, outlining the reasons advanced for the proposed change, and reading the Mayor's Message on the subject. He wound up his remarks by stating: "Now, we will be glad to hear from anybody who wishes to speak on the dog proposition."

Speakers at hearing against increasing license fee

Mr. A. C. Wilmerding of #518 Belvidere Avenue spoke in opposition to the increase, citing reasons for his position.

Mr. Winfield S. Angleman, of #415 Grant Avenue, followed him, and spoke at some length regarding its inadvisability

Mrs. VanHusen of Fanwood, New Jersey, next spoke against the proposed amendment, though in favor of the pound.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN BOYD:

Reported all bills presented as correct, and offered the following resolution authorizing the payment of said bills:

Resolution Pay claims

RESOLVED, That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of Officials and General Office Employees for the 1st half of May 1920, amounting to	$554.99
Claims appearing on the Contingent Expenses Appropriation Account, dated May 17, 1920, amounting to	100.00
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 1st half of May, 1920, amounting to	228.75
Claims appearing on the Tax Department Appropriation Account dated May 17, 1920, amounting to	658.55
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Department for the 1st half of May 1920, amounting to	45.84
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the first half of May 1920, amounting to	70.83

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 1st half of May 1920, amounting to	188.33
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street & Sewer Department for the 1st half of May 1920, amounting to	2876.10
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Capital Disbursements Account for the 1st half of May 1920, amounting to	168.25
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 1st half of May 1920, amounting to	1335.17
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 1st half of May 1920, amounting to	1852.90
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 1st half of May 1920, amounting to	127.34
Claims appearing on the Interest on City Hall Bonds Appropriation Account, dated May 17, 1920, amounting to	5000.00
Claims appearing on the Interest on Sewer Bonds Appropriation Account dated May 17, 1920, amounting to	5400.00
Claims appearing on the Interest on School Bonds Appropriation Account dated May 17, 1920, amounting to	2395.00
Claims appearing on the Principal on School Bonds Appropriation Account dated May 17, 1920, amounting to	6000.00
Claims appearing on the Interest on Fire Apparatus Bonds Appropriation Account dated May 17, 1920, amounting to	150.00
Claims appearing on the Notes Payable Appropriation Account dated May 17, 1920, amounting to	20000.00
Claims appearing on the Memorial Day Appropriation Account dated May 17, 1920, amounting to	150.00
Total	$47297.05

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, McDonough, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, on motion of Mr. Hylan, seconded by Mr. Force, the meeting adjourned.

John J. Carroll

City Clerk.

Monday Evening, June 7th, 1920.

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Common Council was held this evening. Present: President Graves and Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills. Absent: Councilman McDonough.

The minutesof the regular meeting held May 17th were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Communication J. Schwartz, Inc. withdraw map of Queen City Terrace

Communication of J. J. Schwartz, Inc., requesting permission to withdraw map of Queen City Terrace, read, and referred to the Street Committee, Mr. Hylan, Chairman.

Petition Edna C. Hall to release unaccepted dedication Denmark Rd.

Petition from Edna C. Hall, requesting the Common Council, on behalf of the City of Plainfield, to release unaccepted dedication of Denmark Road, between Park Lane, and Belvidere Avenue, on her property, was read and referred to the Street and Sewer Committee.

Petition Nathan Meyer- move building

Petition from Nathan Meyer, requesting permission to move his frame dwelling at #117-121 Watchung Avenue, back 24 feet, was read, and referred to the Street Committee.

Petition Frank L. Sherer protesting against improvements

Petition from Frank L. Sherer, and other property owners of George Street, protesting against improvements contemplated thereon, was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Communication fr. North Plainfield appropriation to straighten Channel

Communication from Borough of North Plainfield showing that an appropriation of $1,000 to straighten the channel of Green Brook between Elm Street and Watchung Avenue was read and referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Communication Irving Kunzman refund tax excess

Communication from Irving Kunzman, requesting refund of taxes paid erroneously by his client on 432-436 East Fourth St. amounting to $28.32 excess, was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Communication J. H. Andrews- fence dividing City property from his

Communication from James H. Andrews regarding fence dividing the City property from his on South Avenue, was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Communication from Mr. Loizeaux regarding Street Light

Communication from Mr. Loizeaux, addressed to Mr. Mills, as Chairman of the Street Lighting Committee, asking additional lightt on South Avenue, between Berckman Street and Woodland Avenue, was read and referred to the Street Lighting Committee.

Communication J. D. Loizeaux L. Co. regarding Street light

Communication from J. D. Loizeaux Lumber Company requesting additional lighting service in front of their plant on South Avenue, was read and referred to the Street Lighting Committee.

Communication J. D. Loizeaux L. Co. additional fire hydrant

Communication from J. D. Loizeaux LumberCompany requesting additional fire hydrant to be located on the premises at 823 South Avenue, because of extensive additions made to property was read and referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

File contract City & Jos. Burke Co.

Contract between City of Plainfield and Joseph Burke Company was presented and ordered filed.

File contract City & Chas A. Peterson

Contract between the City of Plainfield and Charles A. Peterson was presented and ordered filed.

File contract City & Muhlenberg Hospital

Contract between the Board of Governors of Muhlenberg Hospital and the City was presented and ordered filed.

Communication T. H. Cuming re exemption on tax

Communication from Thomas H. Cuming requesting credit of $500.00 Civil War Vetern Exemption on next tax bill, was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Communication Queen City Garage install gasoline tank

Communication from the Queen City Garage, requesting permission to install gasoline tank on their premises, and calling attention to the fact that their last application for installation of a gasoline tank, bore their former, and not their present address, was read and referred to the Police Committee.

Petition Guisseppi Bucchi install gasoline tank

Petition of Guisseppe Rucci, #162 East Second Street to install a gasoline tank on his premises, was read and referred to the Police Committee.

REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR OR ANY CITY OFFICER

Comm. from Mayor special message No. 29.

Communication from his Honor, the Mayor, being special message #29, recommending acquisition of property for City Hall Park, was read and referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Mayn's comm. deny petition Taxicab owners

Communication from his Honor, the Mayor, recommending petition of the taxicab owners for increase of rates be denied, was read and referred to the License Committee.

Mayn's comm. re hearing before Pub. Utility Com.

Communication from His Honor, the Mayor, calling attention to the hearing before the Public Utility Commission of the Public Service Gas Company's petition for insertion of an oil differential clause for purpose of granting increase in rates, to be held at Newark, Thursday, June 10, 1920, at 11 a.m. for such action as the Council may deem advisable, was read and referred to the Public Affairs Committee.

Mayor's Comm. grant application Century Gas. tank Century Tire Co.

Communication from his Honor, the Mayor, recommending the granting of the petition presented by the Century-Plainfield Tire Company for permission to install a gasoline tank, was read and referred to the Police Committee.

Mayor's Comm. appoint regular member Fire Dept.

Communication from his Honor, the Mayor, recommending the appointment of William Galbraith as a member of the Fire Department , was read and referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Mayor's Comm. appoint regular member Fire Dept.

Communication from his Honor, the Mayor, recommending the appointment of Cormick Caulfield as a regular member of the Fire Department, was read and referred to the Fire & Buildings Committee.

Mayor's Comm. appoint Bd. of Comm'rs of Assessments

Communication from his Honor, the Mayor, nominating Albert H. Atterbury, George M. Holstein and Charles C. Randolph, as members of the Bd. Comm'rs. of Assessments was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Communication P. H. Crook resigning as member Fire Dept.

Communication from P. H. Crook, resigning as member of the Fire Department, effective May 30th, 1920, was read and ordered filed.

Resignation Ed. H. Weaver from Fire Dept.

Communication from Edward H. Weaver, resigning as member of the Fire Department was read and ordered filed.

Report Directors of Library filed

Communication from the Directors of the Plainfield Public Library, showing receipts and disbursements for the year, was read and ordered filed.

File report City Treasurer

Report of the City Treasurer for the month of May, was read and ordered filed.

File debt statement.

Supplemental debt statement of the Treasurer, showing net debt of City to be 4.3% was read and ordered filed.

File report Overseer of Poor

Report of the Overseer of the Poor for the month of May was read and ordered filed.

File report Bldg. Inspector

Report of the Building Inspector was read, for the month of May, and ordered filed.

File report City Engineer

Report of the City Engineer for the month of May, was read and ordered filed.

File report of City Clerk

Report of the City Clerk for the month of May, was read and ordered filed.

Refer application J. Goldman to License Committee

Application of Catherine Goldman, for a junkman's license, was read and referred to the License Committee.

Refer application Auctioneers license to Licence Comm.

Application of Charles L. Gerth, for an Auctioneer's license, was read, and referred to License Committee.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

JUN 7 1920

FINANCE BY CHAIRMAN ACKERMAN:

Offered the following resolution authorizing the purchase of coal for the different City departments:

Resolution authorize purchase coal for city depts.

RESOLVED, That the Finance Committee be, and it hereby is, authorized to purchase coal for the different departments of the City of Plainfield not exceeding 450 tons.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution authorizing the payment of bonuses to certain City officials:

Resolution authorize payment of bonus to certain City Officials

WHEREAS prices of the necessities of life still remain abnormally high without apparent prospect of material change during the remainder of the current calendar and fiscal year in consequence whereof in the judgment of this Common Council it is proper to provide some at least temporary increase in the income of certain persons in the employ of the City.

RESOLVED that in addition to the regular salary there be paid to the following, by way of bonus, during the year 1920, the respective sums stated:

To the City Clerk	$600.00
To the City Treasurer	$250.00
To the Tax Collector	$250.00
To the Overseer of the Poor	$240.00
To the Building Inspector	$100.00
To the Janitor of City Hall	$100.00

One half of such bonus to be paid as of July 1st, 1920, and the balance in equal semi-monthly installments during the remainder of 1920.

RESOLVED, that warrants be drawn accordingly.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution confirming appointment of Board of Commissioners of Assessments:

Resolution confirm appointment Board of Commrs of Assessment

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

ALBERT H. ATTERBURY
GEORGE M. HOLSTEIN
CHARLES C. RANDOLPH
as members of the Board of Commissioners of Assessments in and for the City of Plainfield for the first term of three years, beginning as of January 1, 1920 at 12 o'clock noon, pursuant to an ordinance creating a General Board of Commissioners of Assessments, approved November 19, 1919.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills correct and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee.

Suspend Rule No. 39

Mr. Maynard moved suspension of Rule 39, which was seconded by Mr. Force, and the motion was unanimously carried by the Council.

STREETS & SEWERS BY CHAIRMAN HYLAN:

Reported back, without approval, petition of J. J. Schwartz, Inc., for approval of map submitted regarding Queen City Terrace, with the following statement:

Report back petition J. J. Schwartz, Inc. re approve map Queen City Terrace

"In view of the fact Mr. Schwartz has put through a letter tonight, which I have just received, asking to withdraw this map and petition, I now move that the request in the communication received tonight be granted, and that the City Clerk be instructed to return the maps and all papers to Mr. Schwartz. I make that as a motion."

Which motion was seconded by Mr. James, and carried, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution giving notice of meeting re widening Watchung Avenue:-

Resolution notice meeting re widening Watchung Ave

RESOLVED, that the Common Council does hereby fix Tuesday, the sixth day of July 1920, at eight o'clock p.m. as the time and the Council Chambers in the City Hall of the City of Plainfield as the place when and where it will meet and consider the report of the Board of Assessors of taxes of said City, awarding damages for lands proposed to be taken for the widening of Watchung Avenue as indicated in and by "Improvement Ordinance No. 201", and that the City Engineer as ex-officio Street Commissioner give notice thereof by publication in the official

newspaper "The Plainfield Courier-News," a newspaper circulating in said municipality, at least once each week for two weeks prior to such meeting, in substantially the following form:

WATCHUNG AVENUE WIDENING

Notice is hereby given that the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, at a meeting to be held in the Council Chambers in the City Hall on Tuesday, the Sixth day of July A. D. 1920, at eight o'clock p.m. will consider the report of awards for damages for lands and real estate proposed to be taken for the widening of Watchung Avenue as indicated in and by "Improvement Ordinance No. 201". The purpose of such meeting is to consider said report and among other things any objection or objections that any owner of any of said property or interest therein, or any other person interested may present against the confirmation of such awards or any of them, and to take such further or other action as may be deemed appropriate and proper and as right and justice may require. The report above referred to is now on file in the office of the City Clerk, and is open to examination by all persons interested therein.

By order of the Common Council of the City of Plainfield

Dated 1920

(Signed)
City Engineer and Ex-Officio
Street Commissioner

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said City Engineer also mail at least two weeks before said sixth day of July, 1920, a copy of said notice as published to each of the owners of land named in said report directed to his or her last known post office address and file with the City Clerk affidavit or proof of publication and mailing of such notice.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills correct, and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee.

FIRE & BUILDINGS BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Reported back nomination of William Galbraith as

a regular member of the Fire Department, and offered the following resolution confirming said nomination

Resolution confirm appointment Regular Fireman

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

William Galbraith

as a Regular Member of the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield, as and from June 1, 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported back nomination of Cormack Caulfield as a regular member of the Fire Department and offered the following resolution confirming said nomination:

Resolution confirm appointment regular fireman

RESOLVED, That the Common Council does advise and consent to the appointment by his Honor, the Mayor, of

CORMACK CAULFIELD

as a Regular Member of the Fire Department of the City of Plainfield, as and from May 28, 1920.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, Maynard, , Mills and President Graves.

Offered the following resolution authorizing the purchase of a second hand motorcycle for use of lineman in the Fire Department:

Resolution authorize purchase motorcycle for lineman Fire Dept.

RESOLVED, That the Fire & Buildings Committee be, and it hereby is, authorized to purchase one second hand motorcycle for use of the Lineman in the Fire Department at a cost not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars ($250.00).

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Report back petition Nathan Meyer to remove building - refused

Reported back, without approval, petition of Nathan Meyer for removal of frame building on Watchung Avenue. Petition ordered filed. So ordered. City Clerk directed to notify Mr. Meyer of Council's action.

Offered the following resolution authorizing the purchase of shoes for the apparatus in the fire department:

Resolution authorize Fire Committee to purchase shoes for fire apparatus

RESOLVED, That the Fire & Buildings Committee be, and it hereby is, authorized to purchase shoes for apparatus in the Fire Department, at a cost not to exceed $400.00.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported back for filing bid of the American LaFrance Fire Engine Company, and offered the following resolution accepting their bid:

Resolution accepting bid Amer. La France Fire Engine Co.

WHEREAS, The American LaFrance Fire Engine Company, is the lowest responsible bidder in response to legal notice calling for bids for Six Cylinder Combination Pumping and Hose Motor Car, and

WHEREAS, the Common Council is of the opinion that said bid is most advantageous to the City, and

WHEREAS, due notice of the time, to wit, Monday the 17th day of May, 1920, at 8 o'clock p.m. when the Common Council would meet at their usual place of meeting to receive proposals in writing for Six Cylinder Combination Pumping and Hose Motor Car was given as required by law.

BE IT RESOLVED, that said bid of The American LaFrance Fire Engine Company be accepted and contract awarded to said bidder for the sum of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($12,500.00)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon said contract being duly executed by the said American LaFrance Fire Engine Company, the Mayor and City Clerk be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to sign and seal said contract on behalf of the City.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Report back without approval petition Wm H. Kirch to erect store corner Madison Ave & Second Street

Reported back, with recommendation it be not granted, application of William H. Kirch, to erect store building corner of Madison Avenue and Second Street, in accordance with building permit already issued. Petition ordered filed, and City Clerk directed to notify Mr. Kirch that his

request had been refused.

Reported all bills correct, and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So referred.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS BY CHAIRMAN FORCE:

No report.

POLICE COMMITTEE BY CHAIRMAN HULL:

Offered the following resolution granting permission to the Century-Plainfield Tire Company to install gasoline tank:

Resolution granting permission to Century-Plainfield Tire Co. to install gasoline tank

RESOLVED, that the petition of the Century Plainfield Tire Company, dated May 17th, 1920, for permit to install one 500 gallon gasoline tank under ground, upon its premises 902 North Avenue, be and the same is hereby granted, upon the express condition that such tank shall be installed and maintained in strict compliance with the provisions of the ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance Regulating the Storage and Handling of Volatile Liquids", approved August 1, 1910, and that said tank shall not be located wholly or in part under any street or sidewalk and upon the further condition that this permit shall be revokable at any time by resolution of this Common Council, whereupon the tanks shall be immediately removed by the owner thereof from said premises at his own expense.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

File communication from Mayor as chairman Police Bd. denying application of taxicab owners in increase in rates

Reported back recommendation from his Honor, the Mayor, as Chairman of the Board of Police, regarding the denying application of taxicab owners for increase in rates, (which had been referred to the License Committee), and moved the petition be denied and ordered filed, and a copy of the report sent the petitioners. So ordered upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hylan, Hull, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Reported all bills correct, and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

STREET LIGHTING BY CHAIRMAN MILLS:

Reported all bills correct, and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee. So ordered.

ALMS BY CHAIRMAN LOVELL:

Reported all bills correct, and moved they be referred to the Auditing Committee.

LICENSE BY CHAIRMAN JAMES:

No report.

LAWS & ORDINANCES BY CHAIRMAN MAYNARD:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Force offered the following resolution making emergency appropriation of not to exceed $2500.00 to repair damage caused by collapse of the mill dam across Green Brook:

Resolution making emergency appropriation to repair damage caused by collapse of mill dam across Green Brook

WHEREAS an emergency has happened caused by flood and the collapse of the mill dam across Green Brook immediately northeast of Watchung Avenue and by changes in the channel of said stream occasioned thereby, (said channel being the division line between the City of Plainfield in the County of Union and the Borough of North Plainfield in the County of Somerset) which changes in channel are endangering public property and streets in that vicinity, and which happening could not have been anticipated: and

WHEREAS it is necessary by reason of such happening and for the preservation of public property and restoration of the same to usefulness that immediate action be taken by the City of Plainfield in conjunction with said Borough of North Plainfield to straighten said channel between Elm Street and Watchung Avenue and confine the waters of said stream to said channel and that money for that purpose be raised, none having been provided for that purpose in the budget for 1920 nor being otherwise available to meet such necessities and conditions from any appropriation heretofore made:

THEREFORE be it resolved, that an emergency now exists which requires the expenditure of approxi-

mately $2500. and that said sum is hereby appropriated for the purpose above stated and that the Mayor and City Clerk be and are hereby authorized to borrow not to exceed that amount in the name of the City upon emergency note or notes, to be provided for in the budget of 1921 and paid as by statute provided.

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER that Street Committee of this body working in conjunction with such committee as may have been or may be authorized by the Borough of North Plainfield in the premises, and having first obtained the formal consent of the owner or owners of any private property upon which it may be necessary to enter or operate, are hereby authorized to incur such expense not exceeding $2500. as may be necessary to safeguard the situation above referred to but not to expend toward the straightening of said channel or confining said stream thereto any greater sum than the said borough has authorized or may authorize to be expended for the same purpose, it being understood and agreed by and between said municipalities that each shall bear and pay one half of the expense involved therein and thereby.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the City Clerk be requested to mail a copy of this resolution to the Clerk of the Borough of North Plainfield and another to the Chairman of the Finance Committee thereof, Alexander Milne, Esquire.

This motion seconded by Mr. Maynard was adopted upon a call of the roll, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Mr. Force introduced "An Ordinance concerning the acquisition and improvement of certain lands for public park purposes and the financing of such enterprize" , which was read by the Clerk and is as follows:

Ordinance to acquire and improve certain lands for public park purposes and the financing of same

An Ordinance concerning the acquisition and improvement of certain lands for public park purposes and the financing of such enterprize.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield by their Common Council do enact as follows:

Section 1: That said Common Council deems it advisable that all those certain lands situate in the City of Plainfield, Union County, New Jersey, particularly described as follows:

First Tract: Beginning at the fence in Broadway (now Watchung Avenue) about One Hundred and Six (106) feet from the corner of Broadway and Fifth Street and is William B. Stewart's corner; thence along his line North forty-three degrees and forty-two minutes East (N 43 42' E) One hundred six and thirty-three one-hundredths (106.33) feet more or less to John H. Evans' corner; thence along his line northwesterly thirty-seven feet six inches to a stake in his line and corner of lands of E. V. Shotwell; thence along lands of said Shotwell and parallel with the first line southwesterly One hundred Six and thirty-three (106.33) feet more or less to the fence line on Broadway; thence southeasterly Thirty-seven feet six inches to the place of Beginning.

Second Tract: Beginning at a point being the intersection of the northeasterly side line of Watchung Avenue with the southeasterly side line of East Fifth Street as the same are now laid out and opened. Thence running along said northeasterly side line of Watchung Avenue in a magnetic course of South forty-nine degrees and twenty minutes East (S 49° 20' E) a distance of thirty-one (31) feet to a point and corner of other property of the parties of the second part; thence running along the northwesterly line of last mentioned land, North forty degrees and forty-two minutes East (N 40° 42' E) a distance of fifty-five and seven hundredths (55.07) feet to an angle point in said line; thence still along the northwesterly line of said last mentioned property North forty-six degrees fifty-two minutes East (N 46° 52' E) and parallel with East Fifth Street aforesaid, a distance of fifty-three and thirty-two hundredths (53.32) feet to a point in line of property now or formerly belonging to Titsworth; thence running along the Southwesterly line of said Titsworth's land, North forty-seven degrees and fifty-three minutes West (N 47° 53' W) a distance of twenty-five (25) feet to a point in the Southeasterly side line of East Fifth Street aforesaid; thence running along said South-easterly side line of East Fifth Street South forty-six degrees and fifty-two minutes West (S 46° 52'W) a distance of one hundred and nine and thirty-five hundredths (109.35) feet to the place of Beginning.

Third Tract: Beginning at a point in the northeasterly side line of Broadway (now Watchung Avenue) and is a corner of a lot of land recently sold by Edmund V. Shotwell to Lemuel E. Hart; thence along his line in a course of North forty-three degrees and forty-two minutes East (N 43° 42' E) one hundred and six and thirty-three hundredths (106.33) feet to a point in line of lands of John H. Evans; thence along his line in a course of North forty-eight degrees and sixteen minutes West (N 48° 16' W) thirty-nine and twenty-five hundredths (39.25) feet to a point and corner of other lands of said Shotwell; thence in a course of South forty-six

degrees sixteen minutes West (S 46° 16' W) fifty-three and sixty-two hundredths (53.62) feet; thence south forty degrees five minutes West (S 40° 5' W) fifty-five and thirty-four hundredths (55.34) feet to a point in the aforesaid line of Broadway; thence Southeasterly along said line of Broadway thirty-seven (37) feet to the place of Beginning.

Excepting nevertheless from each of said three lots or parcels as above described all the right, title and interest of The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield in and to all that portion thereof which has been dedicated to and accepted by the City of Plainfield as a portion of the public street, Watchung Avenue, said portion being a strip four feet wide across the entire Watchung Avenue front of each of said parcels as above described and which said dedicated portion has been included in and now is in use as a portion of said Avenue; said dedication and acceptance having had the effect of reducing the depth of each of said parcels as above particularly described, by four feet.

The three tracts above described taken together form a plot now known and designated as 501-507 inclusive Watchung Avenue, at the corner of and numbered 200 to 204 East Fifth Street and being lots designated as 3 - 1 & 2 Block 214 as shown on City Assessment Map, Plainfield, and are now owned by Peter Neumann. Said descriptions being taken from a deed to him made by Christiana Neumann and others dated April 1, 1919 recorded in Union County Deed book No. 748 page 569 etc.

Fourth Tract:- Beginning at the fence line on the easterly side of Fifth Street at the north corner of E. V. Shotwell's land, being one hundred and nine feet and eight inches (109' 8") more or less from the corner of Fifth Street and Broadway (formerly Peace Street and Now Watchung Avenue); thence running in a northeasterly course on a line with Fifth Street fifty feet (50') to a westerly corner of A. H. Woodward's lot. Thence with his line south forty-eight degrees and twenty-one minutes east Ninety-nine feet and forty-eight hundredths of a foot (99.48) to William B. Stewart's line. Thence along his line south forty-three degrees and forty-two minutes west Fifty feet (50') to the east corner of Job Male's lot. Thence with Job Male's and E. V. Shotwell's lines north forty-eight degrees and sixteen minutes west one hundred and one feet and nine inches (101' 9") to the place of Beginning.

Being the premises now owned by Max S. Weintrob and conveyed to him by deed of Alfred A. Titsworth and wife dated December 24, 1910 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Union County in Book No. 556 of Deeds on page 287 &c from which deed the above description is taken. Said parcel is designated on said City Assessment Map as Lot 4 in Block 214.

Fifth Tract: Beginning at a point on the easterly side of Fifth Street as now laid out and opened, said point being distant two hundred and nine and sixty-seven one-hundredths feet (209.67) in a magnetic course of North forty-six degrees and sixteen minutes east (N 46° 16' E) along said easterly side of Fifth Street from the intersection of said easterly side of Fifth Street with the northerly side of Watchung Avenue(formerly Broadway) and is a corner of Morse's land. Thence along said Morse's line South forty-seven degrees and seven minutes east (S 47° 7' E) one hundred and twenty-eight and eight-tenths (128.8') feet to a point in line of lands of Brooks (formerly lands of William B. Stewart). Thence along said Brook's line South forty-two degrees and fifty-three minutes West (S 42° 53' W) forty-one and eight one-hundredths feet (41.08') to a point and corner of said Brook's land. Thence still along said Brook's line North forty-four degrees and three minutes West (N 44° 3' W) thirty-two and five tenths feet (32.5) to another of said Brook's corners. Thence still along said Brook's line South forty-three degrees and forty-two minutes West (S 43° 42' W) eight and forty-two one hundredths feet to a point. Thence North forty-eight degrees and twenty-one minutes West (N 48° 21' W) and making a new line between this lot and lands owned by John H. Evans, Ninety-nine and forty-eight one hundredths feet (99.48) to a point in the easterly side of Fifth Street. (The lands referred to as owned by John H. Evans at the time this line was made now being owned by Alfred A. Titsworth). Thence along said easterly side of Fifth Street North forty-six degrees and sixteen minutes East (N 46° 16' E) fifty feet (5o') to the place of Beginning.

Being the same premises now owned by Frederick A. Shepherd and conveyed to him by deed of Charles H. Hand and wife dated August 29, 1911 and recorded in said Register's Office in Book No. 580 of deeds, page 219 &c. from which deed the above description is taken. Said parcel is designated on said City Assessment Map as Lot 5 in Block 214, (all of said tracts being outlined on a certain map entitled "Map of lands adjoining Plainfield City Hall premises, proposed to be acquired for Park Purposes", dated June 1920, which said map is presented with this Ordinance to said Common Council and is hereby approved and ordered filed in the office of the City Clerk) be acquired, laid out, improved, embellished, maintained and made available to the public as a park, to be used in connection with the present City Hall premises of said City; and said Common Council has accordingly determined and does hereby determine to acquire said lands for the purposes aforesaid pursuant to authority conferred by law including Chapter 152- 1917 entitled, "An Act Concerning Municipalities," the Acts Supplemental thereto and Amendatory thereof, or such other statutes as may in such case be made and Provided."

The said five tracts as a whole which it is intended shall be acquired, are otherwise described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point where the Northeasterly side line of Watchung Avenue, as the same was formerly laid out and opened, is intersected by the Southeasterly side line of East Fifth Street, as now laid out and opened, and running from said first mentioned point, in a Northeasterly direction, along said side line of East Fifth Street, a distance of two hundred and nine and thirty-five one hundredths (209.35) feet, more or less, to the line of property now or formerly owned by William G. Morse; thence running along said line in a Southeasterly direction, a distance of one hundred and twenty-eight and eight tenths (128.8) feet to a point in line of property owned by Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, being the City Hall premises; thence running along said line in a Southwesterly direction, a distance of forty-one and eight one hundredths (41.08) feet to a corner of said City Hall premises; thence running along the line of said premises, in a Northwesterly direction a distance of thirty-two and five tenths (32.5) feet to another corner of said City Hall premises; thence running along the line of said premises, in a Southwesterly direction, a distance of one hundred and sixty-four and seventy-five one hundredths (164.75) feet, more or less to a point in the Northeasterly side line of Watchung Avenue as formerly laid out, and opened, thence running along said side line in a Northwesterly direction, and following the curve of the same, a distance of one hundred and five and five tenths (105.5) feet, more or less, to the point and place of BEGINNING. Excepting thereout however so much thereof as is now included within the present side lines of Watchung Avenue.

Section 2: That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of Seventy Thousand Dollars to meet the cost of carrying out the purposes aforesaid, which said sum is hereby found and declared to be necessary and sufficient therefor.

Section 3: That in order to temporarily finance the carrying out of said purposes, to wit the acquisition, laying out, improvement, embellishment and making available to the public as a park the said lands, there is hereby authorized to be borrowed the sum of Seventy Thousand Dollars and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute in the name of the City and issue temporary notes or temporary bonds, which shall state in general terms the purpose for which the same are issued and shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed the rate of six per cent per annum. All other matters with respect to the issuance of said temporary notes or temporary bonds

shall be and are hereby left to be determined in subsequent resolutions or resolution of said Common Council. There has been filed in the office of the City Clerk by the City Treasurer, he being the chief financial officer of the City, the annual debt statement and the supplemental debt statement as required by law.

Section 4: That in case said lands or any part thereof can be acquired by the municipality by purchase thereof from the owner or owners thereof by agreement between said owner or owners and the municipality as represented by this Common Council, the same shall be so acquired. But in case the municipality cannot acquire such lands, or some portion or portions thereof or interest therein by agreement with the owner, whether by reason of disagreement as to the price, or the legal incapacity or absence of the owner, or his inability to convey valied title, or other cause, then that so much of said lands or interest therein as cannot be acquired by agreement, shall be acquired by condemnation proceedings pursuant to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and the compensation to the owner or owners shall be ascertained and paid accordingly.

Section 5: That after this ordinance shall take effect all further acts and proceedings which it may be necessary for this governing body to take in the premises and all orders in relation thereto may be by resolution of said body adopted from time to time as occasion may require.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its due publication as required by law.

Mr. Force offered the following resolution to have City Clerk publish notice stating that the matter would be decided at a meeting to be held June 21st, 1920 at eight o'clock p. m.:

Resolution have City Clerk publish notice stating matter will be decided at meeting to be held June 21, 1920

RESOLVED, that the City Clerk cause to be published in the official newspaper, the Plainfield Courier-News, on or before June 10th, 1920, a notice including a copy of the proposed ordinance introduced in this body on this Seventh day of June, 1920, entitled, "An Ordinance Concerning the Acquisition and Improvement of Certain Lands for Public Park Purposes and the Financing of Such Enterprise," and stating that this Common Council will meet at its Council Chambers on Monday June 21st., 1920, at eight o'clock P.M. at which meeting, nor other time or place, if any, to which such meeting may be adjourned for that purpose, said Common Council will hear any and all persons whose lands or any interest therein may be affected by said proposed Ordinance or who may be

otherwise interested therein, and, will consider the said Ordinance and the adoption thereof; and

RESOLVED FURTHER that within the same time, viz: on or before June 10th, 1920, said City Clerk shall also mail a copy of said notice as directed to be published, to each owner of lands or interest therein, proposed to be acquired, under said proposed ordinance, directed to the last known post office address of such owner, with full postage prepaid thereon, and that he present at said meeting proof of such publication and mailing.

RESOLVED FURTHER that this Common Council will meet at the time and place aforesaid for the purpose of giving all persons interested in or under said proposed ordinance ample opportunity to be heard in regard thereto and of considering said ordinance and the adoption thereof and of taking such action in regard thereto as it may then deem necessary or proper.

This resolution, duly seconded by Mr. Maynard, was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

City Clerk reread communication from the Mayor relative to meeting of Public Utility Commission regarding request of Pub. Service Gas. Co to increase rates

Mr. Force requested City Clerk to re-read the communication from his Honor, the Mayor, relative to the meeting of the Public Utility Commission in Newark, on Thursday, June 10th, 1920, to hear the Public Service Gas petition for increased rates; which request was complied with.

Mayor Calkins, after receiving permission of Council to address that body, spoke on the matter, and stated it was an important matter for the Council to consider, after which Mr. Force, Mr. Hylan and Corporation Counsel Reed spoke, also, on the matter, and Mr. Hylan made the following motion:

Authorize Chairman Pub. Affairs Committee and Corporation Counsel to attend meeting

"I move the Corporation Counsel and the Chairman of the Public Affairs Committee be authorized to attend this meeting at eleven o'clock on June tenth, in Newark, as per this communication, and report their views of the findings of the Public Utility Board, if they are final."

Mr. James seconded the motion, and the motion was carried on vote, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

Mr. Hylan, on behalf of the Street Committee, offered the following resolution authorizing purchase of steel map filing case:

Resolution authorize purchase steel map case in Street Dept.

RESOLVED, That the City Engineer be and he is hereby authorized to purchase of Howard W. Boise a steel map filing case for use in the City Engineer's office, for the sum of $168.30.

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, Maynard, James, Lovell, Mills and President Graves.

Mr. Hylan offered the following ordinance (Improvement Ordinance #202) for the improvement of St. Mary's Avenue, Watson Avenue, George Street, and Hill Street, which was read by the City Clerk and is as follows:

Ordinance Improvement Ordinance No. 202.

IMPROVEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 202

(Being an Ordinance to establish grades and curb lines on St. Mary's Avenue from the center of Berckman Street to the center of Jackson Avenue, Watson Avenue from the center of North Avenue to the southeast side of Earle Place, George Street from the center of Hill Street to the northeast side line of Geneva Place and Hill Street from the center of Midway to the center of Saint Mary's Avenue and to provide for improving said streets and sections of streets by grading the same and constructing concrete gutters, curbs and gutters and macadam pavement.)

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The title of this Ordinance is "Improvement Ordinance No. 202."

Section 2. The Common Council of the City of Plainfield has judged and does hereby judge that the public good requires that the grades and the curb lines of Saint Mary's Avenue from the center of Berckman Street to the center of Jackson Avenue, Watson Avenue from the center of North Avenue to the southeast side of Earle Place, George Street from the center of Hill Street to the northeast side line of Geneva Place, and Hill Street from the center of Midway to the center of Saint Mary's Avenue, be established in the manner by this Ordinance hereinafter provided and that the improvements contemplated by this Ordinance be made as a local improvement under and in accordance with the authority and provisions of Chapter 152 of the Laws of 1917 entitled "An Act concerning municipalities," approved March 27, 1917 and the Acts supplemental thereto and amendatory thereof.

Section 3. That the curb lines of the streets

and sections of streets to be improved under the provisions of this Ordinance be and they are hereby established and defined as lines drawn parallel with the center lines of said streets and sections of streets and distant seventeen (17) feet at right angles from said center lines on each side thereof.

That the roadways of said streets be and the same are hereby defined as all of the areas between the aforesaid curb lines.

That the grades and cross-sections of said streets be and they are hereby fixed and established as indicated on the maps, plans and profiles hereafter described in this Ordinance.

Section 4. That the streets and sections of streets hereinbefore described shall be improved in the following manner:

SAINT MARY'S AVENUE from the center of Berckman Street to the center of Jackson Avenue.

1. By grading the roadway thereof in conformity with the lines and grades indicated on the maps, plans and profiles hereinafter described.

2. By constructing concrete gutters in the following locations:

a. Across Saint Mary's Avenue in line with the northeast gutter of Berckman Street.

b. Across Hill Street in line with both gutters of Saint Mary's Avenue.

c. Across Saint Mary's Avenue in line with the northeast gutter of Johnston Avenue.

3. By paving with macadam pavement six (6) inches thick, with bituminous surface treatment, the roadway of Saint Mary's Avenue for its entire width and all unpaved areas located between the curb lines and side lines of Saint Mary's Avenue across the roadways of all intersecting streets.

WATSON AVENUE from the center of North Avenue to the southeast side of Earle Place.

1. By grading the roadway thereof in conformity with the lines and grades indicated on the maps, plans and profiles hereinafter described.

2. By constructing combined curbs and gutters of concrete, two and one-half (2 1/2) feet wide over all, along both curb lines of Watson Avenue.

3. By constructing concrete gutters in the following locations:

a. Across Watson Avenue in line with the northwest gutter of North Avenue.

b. Across Watson Avenue in line with the northwest gutter of George Street.

4. By paving, with macadam pavement six (6) inches thick, with bituminous surface treatment, the portions of the roadway of Watson Avenue not occupied by the aforesaid gutters and combined curbs and gutters and by paving in the same manner all unpaved areas located between the curb lines and side lines of Watson Avenue across the roadways of all intersecting streets.

GEORGE STREET from the center of Hill Street to the northeast side line of Geneva Place.

1. By grading the same for its entire width from Hill Street to Johnston Avenue and for the width of the roadway only from Johnston Avenue to the northeast side of Geneva Place in conformity with the lines and grades indicated on the maps, plans and profiles hereinafter described.

2. By constructing combined curbs and gutters of concrete, two and one-half (2 1/2) feet wide over all, along both curb lines of said portion of George Street, and including both curb lines of Emerson Avenue and Sumner Avenue from the northwesterly curb line to the northwesterly side line of George Street, also including the northeast curb line of Hill Street from the northwest curb line of George Street to the northwest side line of George Street and from the southeast curb line of George Street to the southeast side line of George Street.

3. By constructing concrete gutters in the following locations:

a. Across George Street in line with the northeast gutter of Johnston Avenue.

b. Across George Street in line with both gutters of Netherwood Avenue.

c. Across George Street in line with the northeast gutter of Leland Avenue.

d. Across Emerson Avenue in line with the northwest gutter of George Street.

e. Across Sumner Avenue in line with the northwest gutter of George Street.

4. By resurfacing the existing macadam on George Street between Netherwood Avenue and Geneva Place with a new macadam surface approximately two (2) inches thick, with bituminous surface treatment.

5. By paving with macadam pavement six (6) inches thick, with bituminous surface treatment, the roadway of said portion of George Street not occupied by the aforesaid gutters, combined curbs and gutters and existing macadam, and by paving in the same manner all unpaved areas located between the curb lines and side lines of said portion of George Street across the roadways of all intersecting streets, except Hillcrest Avenue, Harvey Place and Geneva Place.

HILL STREET from Midway to Saint Mary's Avenue

1. By grading the same for its entire width in conformity with the lines and grades indicated on the maps, plans and profiles hereinafter described.

All of said improvements to be made and work to be done substantially as shown, described and specified in and by the certain maps, plans and profiles entitled "Maps, Plans and Profiles for Improvement Ordinance No. 202, Sheet 1, 2 and 3 and specifications, etc., entitled "Specifications, including Information for Bidders, Form of Proposal, Contract and Bond for Improvement Ordinance No. 202," which maps, plans, profiles and specifications, etc., have been prepared and will be exhibited at every hearing on or under this ordinance held by the Common Council of the City of Plainfield, are all now filed in the office of the Clerk of said City under date of June 7, 1920, and are all hereby approved.

All work therein specified shall be given out upon contract to the lowest responsible bidder after public advertisement in the manner provided by law.

Section 5. It is estimated that the cost of the work and improvements contemplated by this Ordinance will be one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000.00) and the Common Council of the City of Plainfield does hereby appropriate that sum to be used for that purpose.

Section 6. Upon the completion of said work and improvements there shall be levied in the manner provided by law, an assessment for benefits on the property benefited or increased in value by said work or improvements, which assessment shall in each case be, as near as may be, in proportion to the peculiar benefit, advantage or increase in value which the respective lots or parcels of land and real estate legally liable to such assessments shall have received by reason of such work or improvements, and in no case shall any such assessment on any parcel or lot of land exceed in amount such peculiar benefit, advantage or increase in value, nor shall the total benefits assessed exceed the total cost and expense of the work, or improvement. Should the said cost and expense exceed the total amount of such benefits so assessed, the excess thereof shall be paid by the City at large and raised by general tax.

Section 7. For the purpose of providing for the payment of the costs and expenses of said work, and improvements, in advance of the collection of assessments for benefits, the Common Council, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 152 of the Laws of 1917, approved March 27, 1917, and of Chapter 252 of the Laws of 1916, approved March 22, 1916, and the statutes supplemental or amendatory to either thereof, shall, by resolution, authorize the issuing from time to time of temporary notes or bonds of the City of Plainfield in the manner and under the conditions provided by law.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and declared as follows:

a. The probable period of usefulness of the aforesaid work and improvements is ten years.

b. The average assessed valuation of taxable real property (including improvements) of the City of Plainfield, computed upon the next preceding three valuations thereof by the statement filed under Section 12 of Chapter 252 of the Laws of 1916 is $28,725,005.00.

c. The net debt of the City of Plainfield computed in the manner provided under Section 12 of said last mentioned act is four and seventeen one-hundredths (4.17) per cent of said ratables.

d. The statement required by said Section 12 of said last mentioned act has been made by the Treasurer of the City of Plainfield, the chief financial officer of said City, and filed in the office of the Clerk thereof as required by said last mentioned act.

Section 9. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Mr. Hylan offered the following resolution to have City Clerk publish notice of hearing, stating that the above matter would be decided at a meeting to be held June 21st, 1920:

Considered

CORPORATION NOTICE

Improvement of Saint Mary's Avenue, Watson Avenue and portions of George Street and Hill Street.

Resolution City Clerk publish notice stating matter (Imp. Ordinance No. 202) will be decided at meeting to be held June 21, 1920.

WHEREAS there has been introduced in this body a proposed ordinance entitled "Improvement Ordinance No. 202" which contemplates the establishment of grades and curb lines and the grading and improving with gutters, and combined curbs and gutters of concrete and with macadam pavement certain streets and portions of streets, to wit:- Saint Mary's Avenue from the center of Berckman Street to the center of Jackson Avenue; Watson Avenue from the center of North Avenue to the southeast side of Earle Place; George Street from the center of Hill Street to the northeast side of Geneva Place and Hill Street from the center of Midway to the center of Saint Mary's Avenue. All of which proposed grades, curb lines, grading and improvements are shown and described on or in maps, plans, profiles and specifications referred to in said ordinance and now on file in the office of the City Clerk.

RESOLVED, that it is the intention of this governing body to consider the establishing of said grades and curb lines and the undertaking of such improvements and to consider the said Ordinance, and that Monday, the twenty-first day of June, 1920 at 8:30 p.m. is hereby fixed as the time, and the Council Chambers in the City Hall Building of the City of Plainfield as the place when and where this body will meet for such consideration, at which time and place all persons whose lands may be affected by such grades, lines and improvements or who may be interested therein will be given opportunity to be heard concerning such grades, lines and improvements.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the City Engineer of said City cause public notice of all of the foregoing to be given by publication in the official newspaper, The Plainfield Courier-News, at least ten days prior to the date so fixed, which notice shall include a copy of these preamble and resolutions and a copy of said proposed ordinance; and that the said City Engineer shall also within said time mail a copy of said notice as published, to every person whose lands may be affected by such local improvement, as far as may be ascertained, directed to his last post office address, and shall immediately after doing so take and file with the City Clerk an affidavit showing the persons to whom such notice was mailed, with the addresses used, a copy of the notice and in what newspaper and when the same was published.

A copy of such affidavit together with the affidavit of proof of publication in said newspaper shall be furnished to this body at the hearing.

This resolution, duly seconded by Mr. Maynard, was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

File petition Edna C. Hall also comm. Russell E. Burk, City Clerk, Corporation Counsel & City Engr. Vars.

Mr. Hylan reported back the petition of Edna C. Hall, and the communication from Russell E. Burk, City Clerk, Corporation Counsel and City Engineer Vars, for filing. So ordered.

Mr. Hylan introduced an Ordinance releasing unaccepted dedication of Denmark Road which was read by the Clerk and is as follows:

Ordinance releasing unaccepted dedication of Denmark Road

AN ORDINANCE to release the unaccepted dedication of an unopened street designated as Denmark Road, extending from Belvidere Avenue to Park Lane.

WHEREAS, the petition of Edna C. Hall, dated May 10th, 1920, sets forth that prior to the year 1892, a map existed showing a proposed street thirty feet wide extending from Belvidere Avenue to Park Lane and designated asDenmark Road, and that while reference to such street has been made in certain

deeds executed prior to July 1892, the said proposed street has never been opened, used or accepted by the municipality and the petitioner and others owning all the lands contiguous thereto having consented in writing that said dedication be released, and it appearing to this governing body that the public interest will be better served by releasing all of said lands from such dedication; and due public notice having been given according to law; and

WHEREAS, such proposed street, thirty feet wide, designated as Denmark Road, extended from Belvidere Avenue to Park Lane in a general northwesterly and northerly direction, according to the descriptions of the deed which refer to it, and by which it was or may have been dedicated, and according to a certain map made in or about the year 1875 entitled "Map of Belvidere, compiled from deeds of sale and showing various tracts as purchased by F. Schetter and made by Onderdonk and Digby, Civil Engineers", on which map such proposed Denmark Road is shown as a street, the bed of which would cover a parcel or strip of land described as follows, viz:

Beginning at a point in the northwesterly side line of Belvidere Avenue, said point being distant three hundred and fifty-eight (358) feet more or less in a general southerly direction along said northwesterly side line of Belvidere Avenue and following the curves of the same, from the southerly side line of Park Lane; thence running in a general north westerly and northerly direction and following the curves of the same three hundred and twenty (320) feet more or less to a point in the southerly side line of Park Lane aforesaid; thence running along said southerly side line of Park Lane in a general westerly direction thirty (30) feet more or less to a point; thence running in a general southerly and southeasterly direction and following the curve of the same three hundred and forty-five (345) feet more or less to a point in the northwesterly side line of Belvidere Avenue aforesaid; thence running along said northwesterly side line of Belvidere Avenue, in a northerly direction thirty (30) feet to the place of beginning.

The Inhabitants of the City of Plainfield, by their Common Council, do enact as follows:

Sec. 1.-That the unaccepted dedication to the public of a street designated as Denmark Road and extending with a width of thirty feet from Belvidere Avenue in a general northwesterly and northerly direction to Park Lane as more fully described and set forth in the preamble to this Ordinance, and dedicated or which may have been dedicated in the manner in such preamble set forth, be and the same is hereby released, and the public right arising from said dedication as to the whole of the lands included in or fronting on said dedicated street, is hereby released and effectually discharged therefrom as though said dedication had not taken place.

Mr. Hylan moved as follows: "Mr. President, I move the City Clerk be authorized to notify the populace in the usual way

City clerk notify public that Council will consider final passage of Ordinance at meeting June 21-

governing this procedure, in the official newspaper stating that the Council intends to consider the final passage of this ordinance at the meeting of June 21st, 1920, at eight o'clock, p.m." which was seconded by Mr. Maynard, and carried on vote, all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

File Mayor's Message relative to purchase of lands - Communication from North Plainfield relative to Tier's Pond.

Mr. Force reported back for filing the Mayor's Message relative to the purchase of lands, and also the communication of North Plainfield relative to Tier's Pond. Which course was ordered taken.

Discussion regarding use of st. between Front St. and Green Brook for parking autos.

Mr. Varley addressed the Council, at some length, regarding the use of the street running parallel with Front Street, lying between Front Street and Green Brook, for parking automobiles, which, after discussion, was taken under consideration.

AUDITING BY CHAIRMAN BOYD:

Reported all bills presented correct and offered the following resolution authorizing the payment of same:

Resolution pay claims

RESOLVED: That warrants be drawn to pay the following:

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of Officials and General Office Employees for the 2nd half of May 1920, amounting to	569.99
Claims appearing on the Contingent Expenses Approrpiation Account, dated June 7, 1920, amounting to	734.80
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Tax Department for the 2nd half of May, 1920, amounting to	228.75
Claims appearing on the Tax Department Appropriation Account, dated June 7, 1920, amounting to	93.53
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Building Department for the 2nd half of May 1920, amounting to	45.84
Claims appearing on the Building Department Appropriation Account, dated June 7, 1920, amounting to	34.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the City Court for the 2nd half of May 1920, amounting to	70.83
Claims appearing on the City Court Appropriation Account dated June 7, 1920, amounting to	3.50
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the District Court for the 2nd half of May 1920, amounting to	183.33
Claims appearing on the District Court Appropriation Account, dated June 7, 1920, amounting to	66.85
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Street & Sewer Department for the 2nd half of May, 1920, amounting to	4397.91
Claims appearing on the Street & Sewer Department Appropriation Account, dated June 7, 1920, amounting to	6621.03
Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Capital Disbursements Account dated June 7, 192o, amounting to	166.94

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Shade Tree Commission for the 2nd half of May 1920, amounting to 24.25

Claims appearing on the Shade Tree Commission Appropriation Account, dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 7.23

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Police Department for the 2nd half of May 1920, amounting to 1424.32

Claims appearing on the Police Department Appropriation Account dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 168.05

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Fire Department for the 2nd half of May 1920, amounting to 1816.17

Claims appearing on the Fire Department Appropriation Account dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 839.42

Salaries and wages of persons appearing on the pay roll of the Poor Department for the 2nd half of May 1920, amounting to 124.34

Claims appearing on the Poor Department Appropriation Account dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 1886.80

Claims appearing on the Street Lighting Appropriation Account, dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 1704.46

Claims appearing on the County Tax Appropriation Account, dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 129714.12

Claims appearing on the Public Library Appropriation Account, dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 6000.00

Claims appearing on the Hospital Appropriation Account dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 2890.14

Claims appearing on the Local School Purposes Appropriation Account dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 144617.50

Claims appearing on the Memorial Tablet Appropriation Account dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 90.00

Claims appearing on the Audit of the City Books and Accounts Appropriation Account, dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 1150.00

Claims appearing on the Advertising Appropriation Account dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 223.77

Claims appearing on the Interest on School Bonds appropriation Account, dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 8112.50

Claims appearing on the Interest on Street Improvement Bonds Appropriation Account, dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 2970.00

Claims appearing on the Principal on Street Improvement Bonds Appropriation Account, dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 10000.00

Claims appearing on the Principal on Police Station Bonds Appropriation Account dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 1500.00

Claims appearing on the Interest on Sewer Bonds Appropriation Account, dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 640.00

Claims appearing on the Police Station Bonds Interest Appropriation Account, dated June 7, 1920, amounting to 303.75

Total - - - - -$ 329424.62

This resolution was adopted upon a call of the roll all present voting in the affirmative, namely, Councilmen Ackerman, Boyd, Force, Hull, Hylan, James, Lovell, Maynard, Mills and President Graves.

There being no further business to come before the Council, on motion of Mr. Hylan, seconded by Mr. Maynard, council adjourned.

Adjourn

City Clerk